Epiphany Sunday
January 5, 1997



Elon College Community Church
of the United Church of Christ
Post Office Box 625
Elon College, North Carolina 27244

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"Living Christ in Today's World"
January 5, 1997 Eleven o'clock in the Morning

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PRELUDE

WORSHIP GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRANSITION TO WORSHIP

INTROIT "Jesus is Lord" Jerry Sinclair

✣**PROCESSIONAL HYMN** **"Angels From the Realms" No. 126**

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

Liturgist: Marie Wilkins

Gospel Lesson John 1: 1 -18 Page 90 NT Pew Bible

Collect and Lighting of the Candle

SERVICE OF FORGIVENESS

Call to Confession

Personal Prayer (pray in silence . . .)

Prayer of Congregational Confession

UNISON: As we recognize the Light of a star and a Savior, O God, remind us that you send that light to bring us out of darkness. Open our eyes to those things we say, do, or imply that brings darkness into our world. In Christ show us the way to forgiveness and change that we might reflect the light of your Spirit in our world. Make us wise as we accept the gift you offer in Jesus Christ and as we share the gifts of your love with others. Amen.

Words of Assurance

✣ Gloria Patri (Traditional words) tune No. 759

✣Passing of the Peace

L: The Peace of Christ be with you;

P: And also with you.

(Extend the hand of peace to those seated near you...)

PLAYING OF THE CHIMES

SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING

The Call to Give

Offertory Hymn "Arise, Your Light Has Come" No. 164

Please join the choir in singing this hymn of faith!

✣**Doxology and Presentation of Gifts**

✢Offertory Prayer of Dedication

Children in grade 2 and below are invited to attend the second hour program downstairs or remain as parents wish.

HEBREW LESSON **Isaiah 60: 1-6 page 676 OT Pew Bible**

SERMON **"Your Light Has Come!"** **Rev. Arch Aitcheson**

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation and Prayer of Consecration

Breaking Bread and Sharing the Cup

Ushers will guide the congregation as each person takes a piece of bread and dips it into a chalice and partakes of it while returning to the pews. **Communion Anthem:** "Living Bread" Gilbert Martin

Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer

Prayer Response: "Eternal Spirit of the Living Christ!"

✢**HYMN** "As With Gladness Those of Old" No. 159

BENEDICTION

CHORAL AMEN **Williams**

✢**POSTLUDE**

✢You are Invited to Stand at these moments

Prayer List for the Week

Lanie Hayes	Carey Andes	Jane McNaney	Ernie McLelland
Charles Woolsey	Zya Barnes	Helene Spoida	Linda Raker
Robert Timms	Dawn Shepherd	Dale Hooper	Nancy Welborn
Fred Daniels	Ruth Marlowe	Dr. J.R. Kernodle	Herbert Stainback
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Church Family Statistics

Attendance Last Sunday	Offering	Offering Needed
126	$ 4,970.25	$ 4,500.00 /week

AC/ETC Gifts: $280.00

Christmas Eve Offering: $206.05

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WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY, January 5, 1997
9:45 a.m. Sunday School/11:00 a.m. Worship
1:30 p.m. Youth Fellowship
Chancel Ringers I will resume on Feb. 9, 1997
6:30 p.m. Catholic Mass
7:00 p.m. Chancel Ringers II

MONDAY, January 6, 1997
10:30 a.m. Circle 1 - Library
7:00 p.m. Cub Scouts
7:30 p.m. Circle 2 - home of Mary Butler

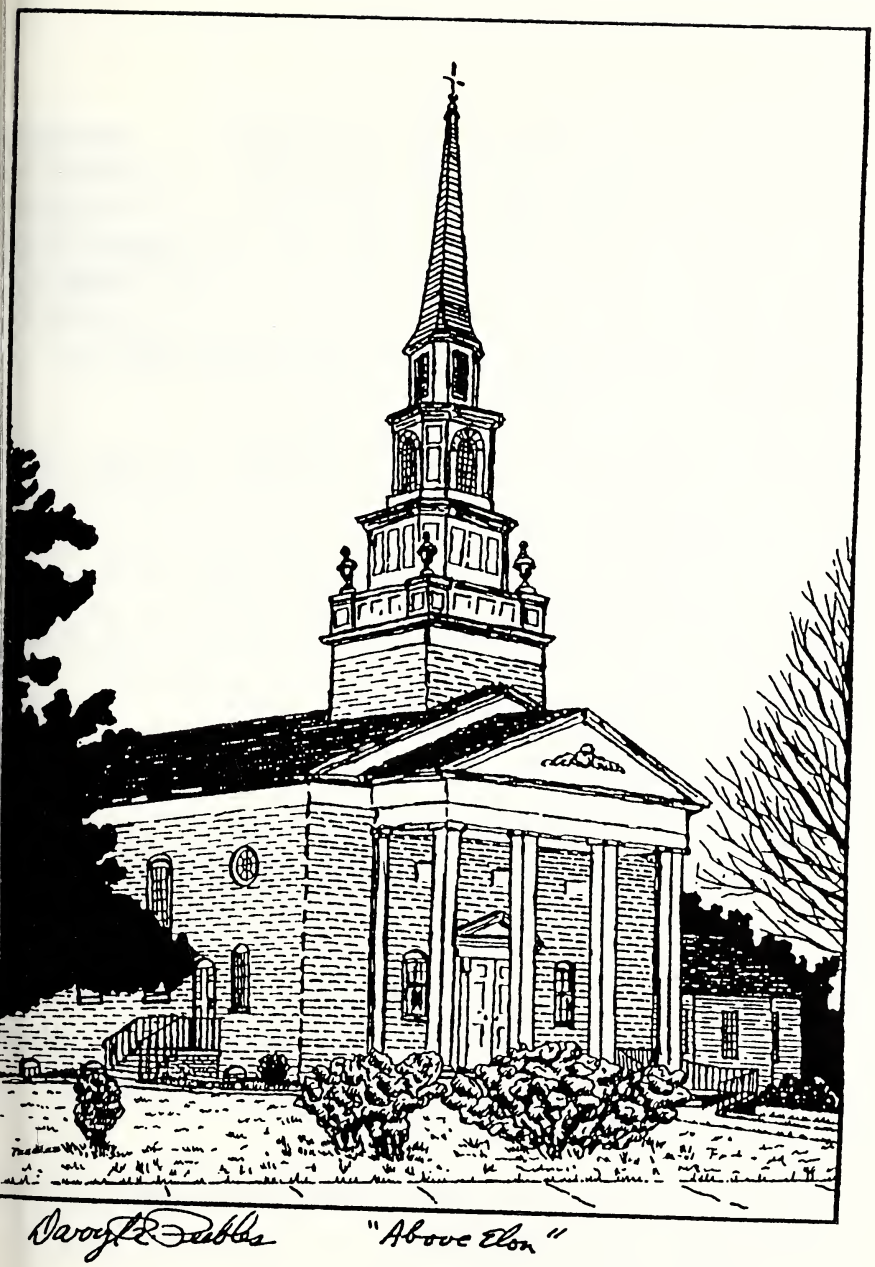
TUESDAY, January 7, 1997
10:30 a.m. Church Staff Meeting - Library
7:30 p.m. Circle 3 - Library

WEDNESDAY, January 8, 1997
4:00 p.m. Catholic Community Fellowship
8:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous

FRIDAY, January 10, 1997
7:00-9:00 p.m. Special Fridays
Acolytes today are Megan Brown and Rebecca Perry.

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of those who died in 1996: Mr. J. L. Dixon, Mr. George Wilson Edwards, Mrs. Dorothy M. Clem, Mrs. Ann B. Reynolds, and Mrs. Gladys Simpson Vickers by Emmett and Katherine Floyd.

Nursery for today: Robin and Mike Gregory. Next week: Betty and Roger King.
Second Hour Child Care for today: Christy Chappell and David Ruth. Next week: Sherri and Keith Linton.



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PRELUDE

WORSHIP GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRANSITION TO WORSHIP

INTROIT "Jesus is Lord" Jerry Sinclair

✣**PROCESSIONAL HYMN** **"Wonderful Words" No. 319**

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

Liturgist: Becky Peeler

Gospel Lesson Mark 1: 4 - 11 Page 34 NT Pew Bible

Collect and Lighting of the Candle

SERVICE OF FORGIVENESS

Call to Confession

Personal Prayer (pray in silence . . .)

Prayer of Congregational Confession No. 837 Hymnal

Words of Assurance

✣ Gloria Patri (Traditional words) tune No. 759

✣Passing of the Peace

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PLAYING OF THE CHIMES

HYMN OF BLESSING verses 1 & 2 No. 325

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Service A pages 31- 36 Hymnal

HYMN OF BAPTISM verses 3 & 4 No 325

SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING

The Call to Give

Offertory Anthem "'Twas in the Moon of Wintertime" Brebeuf

✣**Doxology and Presentation of Gifts**

✣Offertory Prayer of Dedication

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EPISTLE LESSON **Acts 19: 1 - 7 page 136 NT Pew Bible**

SERMON "Baptism for All . . ." Rev. Arch Aitcheson

COMMUNITY PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN "Wonder of Wonders Here Revealed" No. 328

BENEDICTION

CHORAL AMEN Gloria

POSTLUDE

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147	$3,924.86	$ 4,500.00 /week

AC/ETC Gifts:
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SUNDAY, January 12, 1997

9:45 a.m. Sunday School/11:00 a.m. Worship
1:30 p.m. Youth Fellowship
Chancel Ringers I will resume on Feb. 9, 1997
6:30 p.m. Church Nite
Catholic Mass

MONDAY, January 13, 1997

7:00 p.m. Cub Scouts

TUESDAY, January 14, 1997

10:30 a.m. Church Staff Meeting - Library

WEDNESDAY, January 15, 1997

4:00 p.m. Catholic Community Fellowship
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal
8:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous

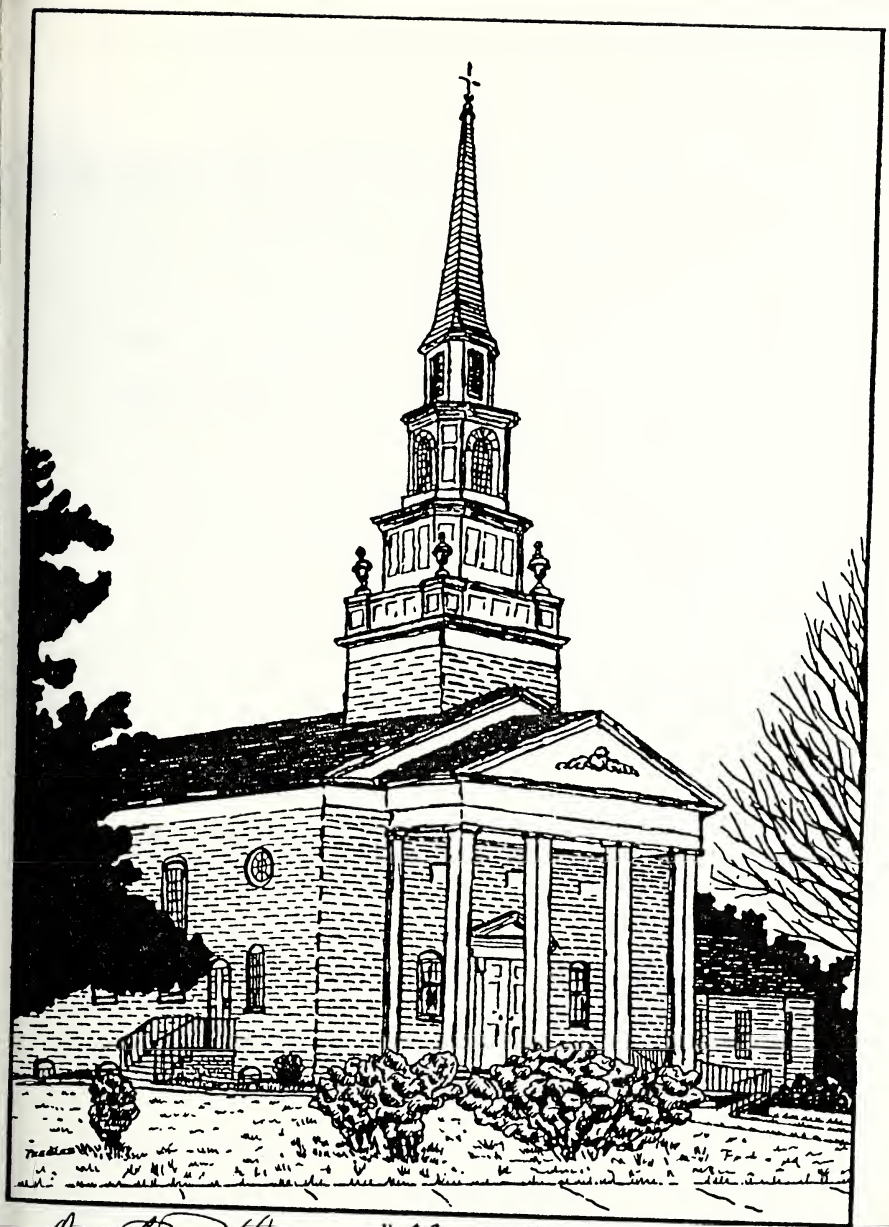
THURSDAY, January 16, 1997

7:30 a.m. Breakfast Club Bible Study
3:45 p.m. Terrific Thursday

Acolytes today are Robbie Tickle and Susan Heinzerling.

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in remembrance of George W. Edwards by Sharon and Venita Edwards.

Nursery for today: Betty and Roger King. Next week: Patsy and Ralph Jourdan.
Second Hour Child Care for today: Sherri and Keith Linton. Next week: Lesli and Lynn Denny.



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January 26, 1997 Eleven o'clock in the Morning
Third Sunday After Epiphany

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PRELUDE

WORSHIP GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRANSITION TO WORSHIP

INTROIT "Jesus is Lord" Jerry Sinclair

✣PROCESSIONAL HYMN "Awake, Awake to Love " No. 89

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

Liturgist: Katherine Floyd
Gospel Lesson Mark 1: 14 - 20 Page 34 NT Pew Bible
Collect and Lighting of the Christ Candle

SERVICE OF FORGIVENESS

Call to Confession
Personal Prayer (pray in silence . . .)
Prayer of Congregational Confession: No. 835 (back of Hymnal)
Words of Assurance
✣ Gloria Patri (Traditional words) tune No. 759
✣Passing of the Peace

L: The Peace of Christ be with you;
P: And also with you.
(Extend the hand of peace to those seated near you...)

PLAYING OF THE CHIMES

CHORAL ANTHEM: "To God Let Us Sing" **Chancel Choir**

SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING

The Call to Give
Offertory Hymn "Just As I Am" **No. 207**
✣Doxology and Presentation of Gifts
✣Offertory Prayer of Dedication

Children in grade 2 and below are invited to attend the second hour program downstairs or remain as parents wish.

HEBREW LESSON

SERMON "A Living Hope" Dr. Emmett O. Floyd

COMMUNITY PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN "Take My Life & Let it Be" No. 448



Youth Fellowship ANNUAL VALENTINE'S DAY DINNER

Feb. 14, 1997

Bring a Friend, group of Friends, or Your Best Friend

SEATINGS 5:30 pm & 7:00 pm

BY RESERVATION ONLY

Call 584-0391 by FEB. 7

COST: $8.00 PER PERSON

This event is sponsored by our Youth and the money will benefit Habitat for Humanity

Name: _____

No. _____

Seating Preference: 5:30 pm _____

7:00 pm_____

Childcare Needed:Yes:_____ No: _____



"SOUPER" BOWL SUNDA

JANUARY 26, 1997

The "Souper" Bowl needs you ! Please help "the least" of our brothers and sisters on Jan. 26. As you leave from worship on that Sunday, you are asked to contribute $1.00. Our youth will be collecting the money in large soup pots. The money goes directly to the Good Shepherd Community Kitchen.

TODAY'S SPECIA

·**HYMN** "Take My Life & Let it Be" No. 448

ENEDICTION

HORAL AMEN Gloria

·**POSTLUDE**

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☺ Greeters today are Bill and Betty Blanchard.

☺ Our Acolytes today are Nicole Williamson and Christine Fogleman.

Church Family Statistics

Attendance Last Sunday	Offering	Offering Needed
109	$3,586.48	$ 4,500.00 /week

AC/ETC Gifts:
$340.78

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6:00 p.m. Youth Fellowship at Becky Peeler's Home
Chancel Ringers I will resume on Feb. 9, 1997
6:30 p.m. Catholic Mass
Chancel Ringers II will resume on Feb. 2, 1997

MONDAY, January 27, 1997

7:00 p.m. Cub Scouts Pack Mtg. Parish House

TUESDAY, January 28, 1997

12:00 Noon - The Lunch Bunch - Parish House

WEDNESDAY, January 29, 1997

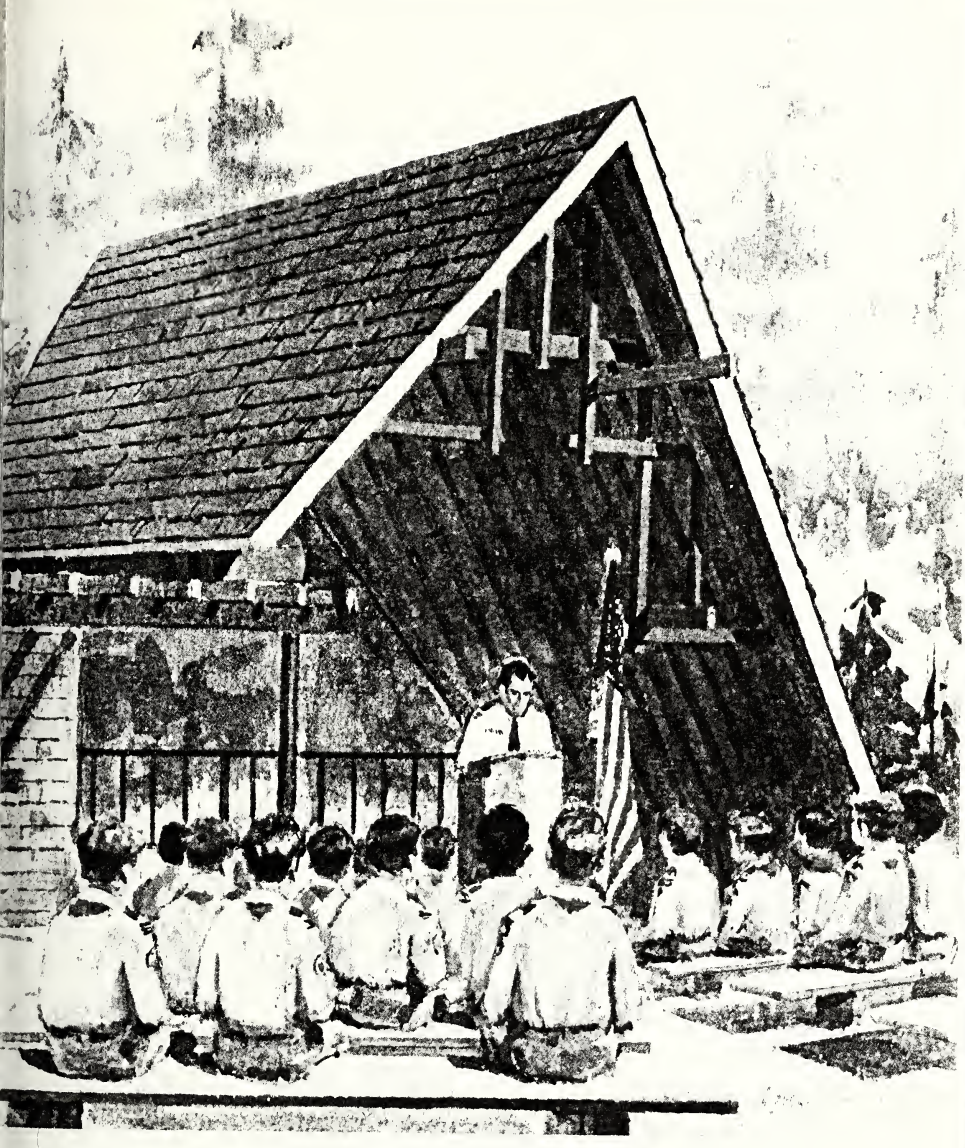
4:00 p.m. Catholic Community Fellowship
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal
8:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous

THURSDAY, January 30, 1997

7:30 a.m. Breakfast Club Bible Study
3:45 p.m. Terrific Thursday

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of Bill's parents, Rowena and Charlie Spence by Bill and Betty Blanchard.

Nursery for today: Jim and Lorene Lyon. Next week: Cary and Jackie Matlock.
Second Hour Child Care for today: Helen and Bill Rippy. Next week: Wally and Nell Snyder.



A SCOUT IS REVERENT

Elon College Community Church
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February 2, 1997 Eleven o'clock in the Morning
Fourth Sunday After Epiphany

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PRELUDE

WORSHIP GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRANSITION TO WORSHIP

INTROIT "Jesus is Lord" Jerry Sinclair

✣**PROCESSIONAL HYMN** **"Come Gather"** **No. 335**

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

Liturgists: Scouts David Brown and Nate Sexton
Gospel Lesson Mark 1: 21-28 Page 34 NT Pew Bible
Collect and Lighting of the Christ Candle
Statement of Faith No. 885 (back of the Hymnal)

SERVICE OF FORGIVENESS

Call to Confession
Personal Prayer (pray in silence . . .)
Litany of Confession: No. 838 (back of Hymnal)
Words of Assurance
✣ Gloria Patri (Traditional words) tune No. 759
✣Passing of the Peace

L: The Peace of Christ be with you;
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PLAYING OF THE CHIMES

SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING

The Call to Give
Offertory Hymn "As We Gather at Your Table" **No. 332**
✣**Doxology and Presentation of Gifts**
✣Offertory Prayer of Dedication

Children in grade 2 and below are invited to attend the second hour program downstairs or remain as parents wish.

HEBREW LESSON Deuteronomy 18:15-20 Page 174 OT Pew Bible

COMMUNION MEDITATION Dr. Emmett O. Floyd
"True Freedom "

Today we welcome the families of Cub Scout Pack 51 sponsored by our urch and the families of Scout Troop 51 cosponsored by the Elon Exchange Club l the church. For over 30 years Scouting has been part of the youth program of church.

We appreciate the talent and time given by the leaders of both the pack and op. Please join in expressing our congregations' thanks to the leaders - especially hose who are not members of our church.

CUB SCOUT PACK 51

DERS: George Troxler, Junior Bare, Mary Ann Johnson, Alton Trott, Sid Holt, n Smith, Mary Kaczor, Tim Pyrant, Mike Susat, Daniel Whited, Mary Ward, Roland vart, Charles Jordan, Yancey Tickle, Drew Neill, Robert Warren, Bill Ross, David d.

MMITTEE: Jim Brown, Henry Buckner, Mark McAdams, Mack Scott

ER CUBS: Martin Baker, Houston Breedlove, Kevin Harrington, Zachary ison, Justin Huber, Adam Jennings, Patrick Langdon, Robbie May, Cody Meredith, ey Moore, Eric Odum, Nathaniel Oliver, Brooks Owen, Joseph Reinheimer, er Stowe, Graham Susat, Chandler Turner, Joshua Warren
SCOUTS: Benjamin Holt, Brandon Love, Alex Smith, Ian Trott, Kyle Pendarvis, Petry, Rusty Doyle, Nicholas Kaczor, Timothy Pyrant, Ian Susat, Joseph npson, Hank Lilienthal, Cameron Ward, Brandon Yarbrough, Donnie Pendarvis, than Kernodle, Rhett Huffman, Michael Woody, Brent Linde, Palmer Dillon,
ELOS SCOUTS: Chris Campbell, Nathaniel Jordan, Donald Stowe III, Ryan Tickle, Boulware, Robert Danieley, Jeff Martin, Zachary Apple, Michael Trott, Zach orn, Jeremy Warren, John Gill, Duncan Germain, Philip Baldwin, Cameron ngs, Andrew Ross, Kevin Guley, Anthony Collins, Nathaniel Ward, Josh Jones, ck Horner, Joseph Shaw, Stephan Siletzky

BOY SCOUT TROOP 51

ERS: Jim Brown, Jim Barbour, Rollin Heinzerling, Richard Bragg, Scott Reavis, Scott, Keith Whited

MITTEE: Rollin Heinzerling, Joann Barbour, Sandy Coble, Mark Hayes, Harvey Marvin King, Don LaVigne, Charles Liscum, Beverly Scott, George Troxler, Earl s

TS: Timmy Arnold, Josiah Barbour, Dylan Bragg, David Brown, Tony Coble, ray Currin, Lucas Dunn, Chad Gambrell, Jarred Gibson, Patrick Guley, Justin J. R. Heinzerling, Paul Kaczor, T.J. Kaczor, David Lanning, Justin Lanning, LaVigne, Henry Marquard, Shannon Reese, Kevin Russel, Michael Russel, on Scott, Matthew Sexton, Nathaniel Sexton, Charlie Walker, Daniel Whited.



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No. _____

Seating Preference: 5:30 pm _____

7:00 pm_____

Childcare Needed:Yes: _____ No: _____

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Please follow Service A (beginning on the bottom of page 5 in the Hymnal for the Communion Liturgy . . . .) Ushers will guide the congregation for Communion. Please take the bread, dip it into the chalice and partake of the morsel as you return to your pew.

Choral Meditation during Communion:

✢**HYMN** "Be Known to Us in Breaking Bread" No. 342

BENEDICTION

CHORAL AMEN "Amen"

✢**POSTLUDE**

✢**You are Invited to Stand at these moments**

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☺ Greeters today are David LaVigne and Trey Stowe.

☺ Our Acolytes today are Derrick Horner and Tate Boulware.

☺ Our Ushers today are Matt Sexton, Thomas Kaczor, Zack Welborn, Stephen Siletzky.

☺ Welcome to Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts and their families from our community who celebrate the founding of Scouting on this Sunday by participating in the worship of our Church. Scouting is another facet of youth ministry in this congregation!

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1:30 p.m. Youth Fellowship
6:30 p.m. Catholic Mass
7:00 p.m. Chancel Ringers II

MONDAY, February 3, 1997
10:30 a.m. Circle I - Library
7:00 p.m. Cub Scouts
7:30 p.m. Circle II - home of Lorene Lyon

TUESDAY, February 4, 1997
10:30 a.m. Church Staff Meeting - Library
7:30 p.m. Circle III - Library

WEDNESDAY, February 5, 1997
4:00 p.m. Catholic Community Fellowship
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal
8:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous

THURSDAY, February 6, 1997
7:30 a.m. Breakfast Club Bible Study
3:45 p.m. Terrific Thursday

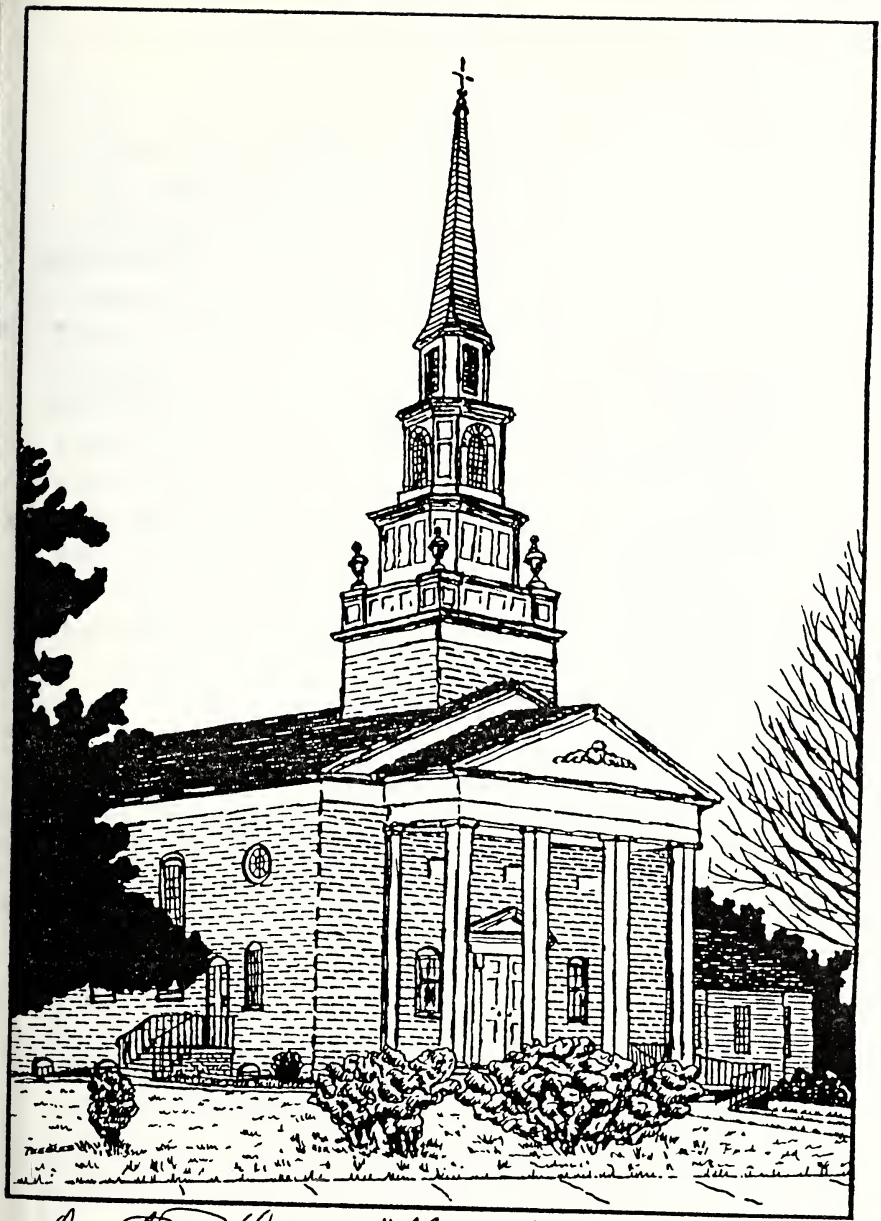
FRIDAY, February 7, 1997
6:45 - 9:00 p.m. Special Fridays
7:30 p.m. Shelter Meal Served

SATURDAY, February 8, 1997
7:30 a.m. Youth Ski Trip to Boone

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in honor of J. Mark McAdams who recently celebrated his 95th birthday by Wes and Jane Alexander.

Nursery for today: Cary and Jackie Matlock. Next week: Wes and Jane Alexander.

Second Hour Child Care for today: Wally and Nell Snyder. Next week: Sue Brown and Lydia Troxler.



Dorothy R. Dibbles "Above Elon"

Elon College Community Church
of the United Church of Christ
Elon College, North Carolina
"Living Christ in Today's World!"

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of the United Church of Christ
"Living Christ in Today's World"
February 9, 1997 Eleven o'clock in the Morning
Fifth Sunday After Epiphany - Transfiguration

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PRELUDE

WORSHIP GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRANSITION TO WORSHIP

INTROIT "Jesus is Lord" Jerry Sinclair

✣PROCESSIONAL HYMN "Jesus, Lover of My Soul" No. 5

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

Liturgist: Ken Harper

Gospel Lesson Mark 9: 2-9 Page 43 NT Pew Bible

Collect and Lighting of the Christ Candle

SERVICE OF FORGIVENESS

Call to Confession

Personal Prayer (pray in silence . . .)

Prayer of Congregational Confession:

Forgive my spiritual blindness, O God! When I fail to see yo glory in the face of Christ . . . when I fail to see the transforming gra you offer me . . . when I close my eyes to truth . . . when I run from responsibilities of Christ's call . . .when I am blind-sighted by the pull power and wealth . . . and when I fail to see the face of Christ in another's eyes. Expand my vision to see you and the living Christ in every opportunity of life you offer me. Awaken me spiritually that I see your mission and your truth. Remove the blinders of sin and unfaithfulness that I may be transformed in Jesus Christ. Amen.

Words of Assurance

✣ Gloria Patri (Traditional words) tune No. 759

✣Passing of the Peace

L: The Peace of Christ be with you;

P: And also with you.

(Extend the hand of peace to those seated near you...)

PLAYING OF THE CHIMES

CHORAL ANTHEM:"Go Not Far From Me O God" N. Zinga

SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING

The Call to Give

Offertory Hymn "There Is A Balm in Gilead" **No. 553**

✣**Doxology and Presentation of Gifts**

✣Offertory Prayer of Dedication

CHILDREN'S TIME "The Widest Smile . . ." Arch Aitcheson

Children in grade 2 and below are invited to attend the second hour program downstairs or remain as parents wish.

EPISTLE LESSON **2 Corinthians 4: 3 - 6 page 176 NT Pew Bible**

SERMON **Arch Aitcheson Pastor & Teacher**

"In the face of Jesus . . ."

COMMUNITY PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

CHORAL PRAYER RESPONSE: "Savior of the World"

✣**HYMN** "O How Glorious, Full of Wonder" No. 558

BENEDICTION

CHORAL AMEN "Amen"

✣**POSTLUDE**

✣**You are Invited to Stand at these moments**

Prayer List for the Week

Lanie Hayes	Carey Andes	Jane McNaney	Ernie McLelland
Charles Woolsey	Helene Spoida	Linda Raker	Nancy Welborn
Robert Timms	Dawn Shepherd	Marion Stamey	Susan Cummings
Fred Daniels	Ruth Marlowe	Dr. J.R. Kernodle	
Lorrain Linton	Norma Watson	Edith Shotzberger	
Anne Pope	Doug Wood	Sam Shoemaker	

To add your loved one to the prayer chain call 584-0391

☺ The Gospel Choir of Elon College will sponsor their 2nd Annual Gospel Extravaganza on Sat., Feb. 15, 1997 at 4:00 p.m. in Whitley Auditorium. Appearing with them in concert will be the Wake Forest University Gospel Choir and UNC-G Neo-Black Society Gospel Choir.

☺ Greeters today are Jim and Lorene Lyon

☺ Our Acolytes today are Jeff Martin and Hope Martin

Church Family Statistics

Attendance Last Sunday	Offering	Offering Needed
191	$4,404.31	$ 4,500.00 /week

AC/ETC Gifts:
$405.00

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WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY, February 9, 1997
9:45 a.m. Sunday School/11:00 a.m. Worship
1:30 p.m. Youth Fellowship
4:00 p.m. Allied Churches General Mtg.
5:00 p.m. Chancel Ringers I & II
6:30 p.m. Catholic Mass
6:30 p.m. Church Nite

MONDAY, February 10, 1997
7:00 p.m. Cub Scouts

TUESDAY, February 11, 1997
10:30 a.m. Church Staff Meeting - Library

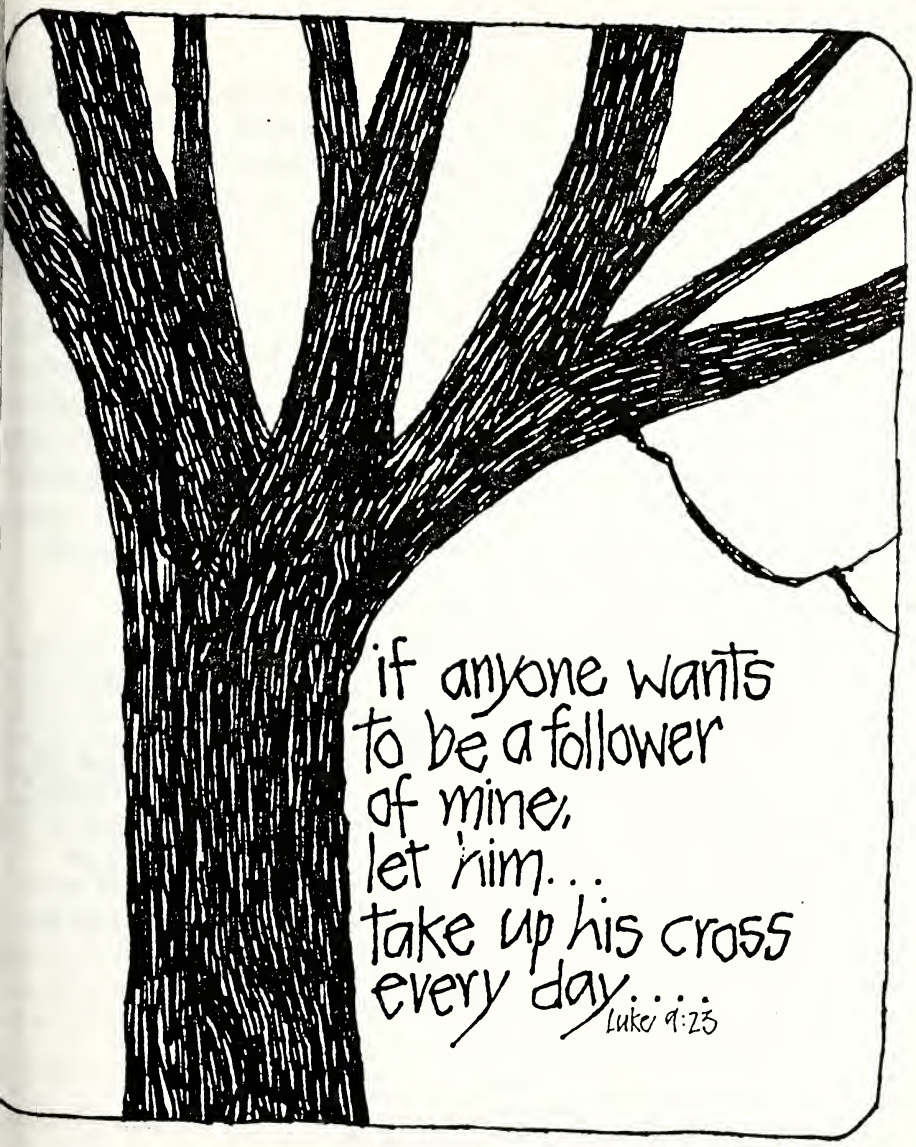
WEDNESDAY, February 12, 1997
6:30 p.m. Ash Wednesday Service - Parish House
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal
8:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous

THURSDAY, February 13, 1997
7:30 a.m. Breakfast Club Bible Study
3:45 p.m. Terrific Thursday
5:00 p.m. Youth preparing Valentine Meal
7:00 p.m. Lenten Study

FRIDAY, February 14, 1997
5:30 and 7:00 p.m. Valentine's Day Dinner

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of George and Al and in honor of Stroud by Clara Noah.

Nursery for today: Wes and Jane Alexander. Next week: Lou Harpe and Meg Wilkins.
Second Hour Child Care for today: Sue Brown and Lydia Troxler. Next week: Gayland Welborn and Mark Danieley.



Elon College Community Church

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February 16, 1997

First Sunday in Lent

Elon College Community Church
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"Living Christ in Today's World"
February 16, 1997 Eleven o'clock in the Morning
First Sunday in Lent

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PRELUDE

WORSHIP GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRANSITION TO WORSHIP

INTROIT "Jesus is Lord"

✣PROCESSIONAL HYMN "Lift High the Cross" No. 198

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

Liturgist: Mary Ruth
Gospel Lesson Mark 1:9-15 Page 34 NT Pew Bible
Collect and Lighting of the Christ Candle

SERVICE OF FORGIVENESS

Call to Confession
Personal Prayer (pray in silence . . .)
Prayer of Congregational Confession:

The Beloved Son of God invites us to see the glory of God. We choose the darkness of sin and the evil ways of the world. The Christ of Mercy invites us to grace upon grace. We seek the shallow rewards of the secular world. The Spirit of Love offers us affirmation and hope. We hold to selfish visions and empty dreams. Awaken us, O God, as we begin the days of Lent. Open us to see that awesome love you offer us in Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior! Amen.

Words of Assurance
✣ Gloria Patri (Traditional words) tune No. 759
✣Passing of the Peace

L: The Peace of Christ be with you;
P: And also with you.
(Extend the hand of peace to those seated near you...)

PLAYING OF THE CHIMES

CHORAL ANTHEM: "Lonesome Valley" arr. G. Martin

SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING

The Call to Give
Offertory Hymn "God Loved the World" **No. 208**
✣Doxology and Presentation of Gifts

✣Offertory Prayer of Dedication

CHILDREN'S TIME "The Wilderness" Arch Aitcheson

Children in grade 2 and below are invited to attend the second hour program downstairs or remain as parents wish.

HEBREW LESSON **Psalm 25: 1 -10 page 492 OT Pew Bible**

SERMON **Arch Aitcheson Pastor & Teacher**

"The Way of the Beloved."

COMMUNITY PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

CHORAL PRAYER RESPONSE: "O Savior of the World"

HYMN "On A Hill Far Away" No. 195

BENEDICTION

CHORAL AMEN "Amen"

POSTLUDE

✣You are Invited to Stand at these moments

Prayer List for the Week

anie Hayes	Carey Andes	Jane McNaney	Ernie McLelland
harles Woolsey	Helene Spoida	Linda Raker	Ada Miller
obert Timms	Dawn Shepherd	Marion Stamey	Nancy Welborn
red Daniels	Ruth Marlowe	Dr. J.R. Kernodle	Stephen Miller
orrain Linton	Edith Shotzberger	Robbie Savage	Katie Dudziec
nne Pope	Doug Wood	Susan Cummings	
larold Parker	Howard Edgerton		

To add your loved one to the prayer chain call 584-0391

Ash Wednesday Soup Supper & Service this Wednesday in the Parish louse at 6:30 p.m. Please sign up today in the Narthex! Thanks . . . .

Greeters today are Earl and Verona Danieley.

Our Acolytes today are David Brown and Jeff Wilkins.

Church Family Statistics

ttendance Last Sunday	Offering	Offering Needed
145	$4,212.70	$ 4,500.00 /week

AC/ETC Gifts:
$ 855.00

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WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY, February 16, 1997
9:45 a.m. Sunday School/11:00 a.m. Worship
No Youth Fellowship
5:00 p.m. Chancel Ringers I
Grief Support Network
6:30 p.m. Catholic Mass
7:00 p.m. Chancel Bells II
TORCH DEADLINE TODAY

MONDAY, February 17, 1997
Church Office Closed
7:00 p.m. Cub Scouts

TUESDAY, February 18, 1997
10:30 a.m. Church Staff Meeting - Library

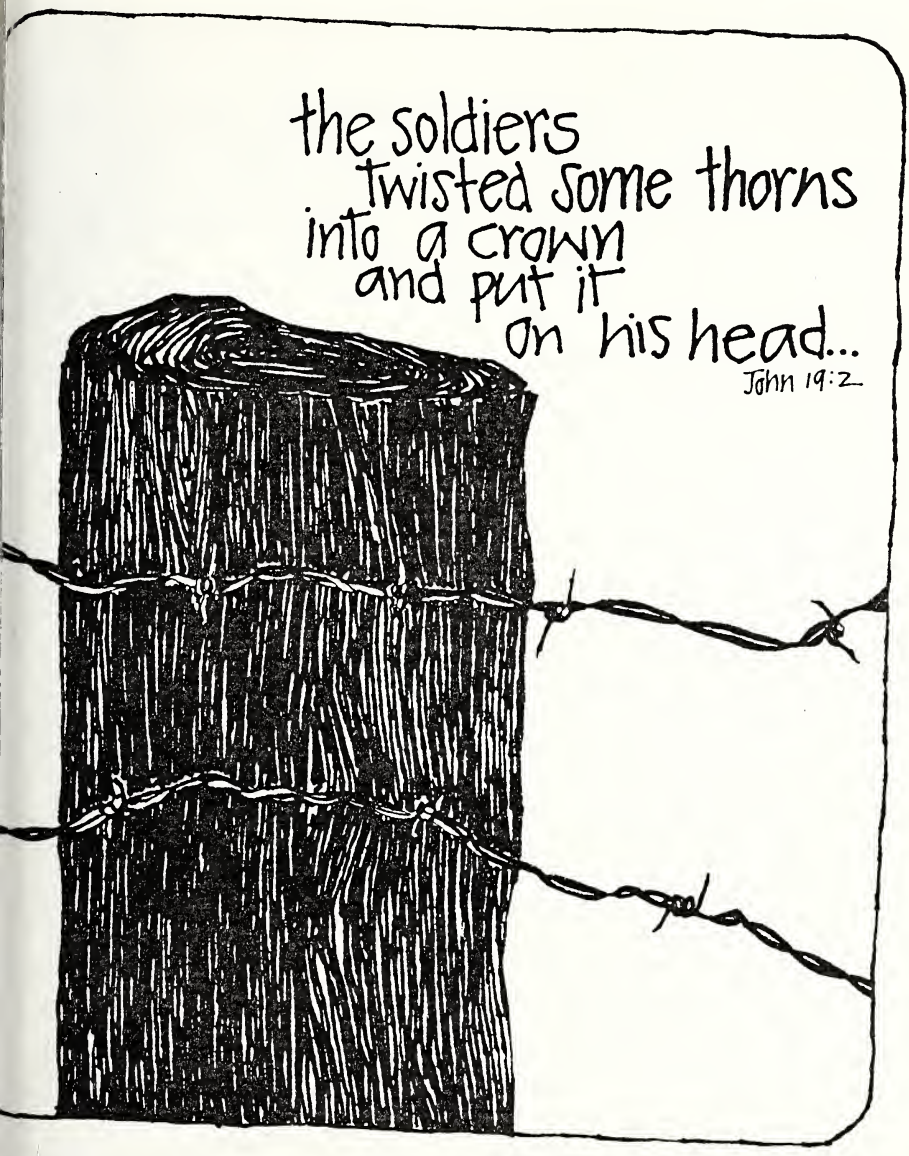
WEDNESDAY, February 19, 1997
4:00 p.m. Catholic Community
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal
8:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous

THURSDAY, February 20, 1997
7:30 a.m. Breakfast Club Bible Study
3:45 p.m. Terrific Thursday
7:00 p.m. Lenten Study

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Ree Watson.

Nursery for today: Lou Harper and Meg Wilkins. Next week: Mary Ruth.

Second Hour Child Care for today: Gayland Welborn and Mark Danieley. Next week: Bill Linde and Katherine Floyd.



Elon College Community Church
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February 23, 1997
Second Sunday in Lent

Elon College Community Church
of the United Church of Christ
"Living Christ in Today's World"
February 23, 1997 Eleven o'clock in the Morning
Second Sunday in Lent

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PRELUDE

WORSHIP GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRANSITION TO WORSHIP

INTROIT "You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore" Gabarain
sung by the Terrific Thursday Choir

✣PROCESSIONAL HYMN "Beneath the Cross" No. 190

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

Liturgist: Lou Harper
Gospel Lesson Mark 8: 31-38 Page 40 NT Pew Bible
Collect and Lighting of the Christ Candle

SERVICE OF FORGIVENESS

Call to Confession
Personal Prayer (pray in silence . . .)
Prayer of Congregational Confession:

You reach out to us God. We reject your attempt. You seek us out as your own. We reject the search. You offer us love when we are unlovable. We reject your love. You offer us a new opportunity in mercy. We reject the gift of grace. You send to us the Christ. We reject his presence. Do not give up on us, O God. Help us to open our arms in acceptance of all that you offer. Forgive us our sins. Renew us in Jesus Christ! Amen.

Words of Assurance
✣ Gloria Patri (Traditional words) tune No. 759
✣Passing of the Peace

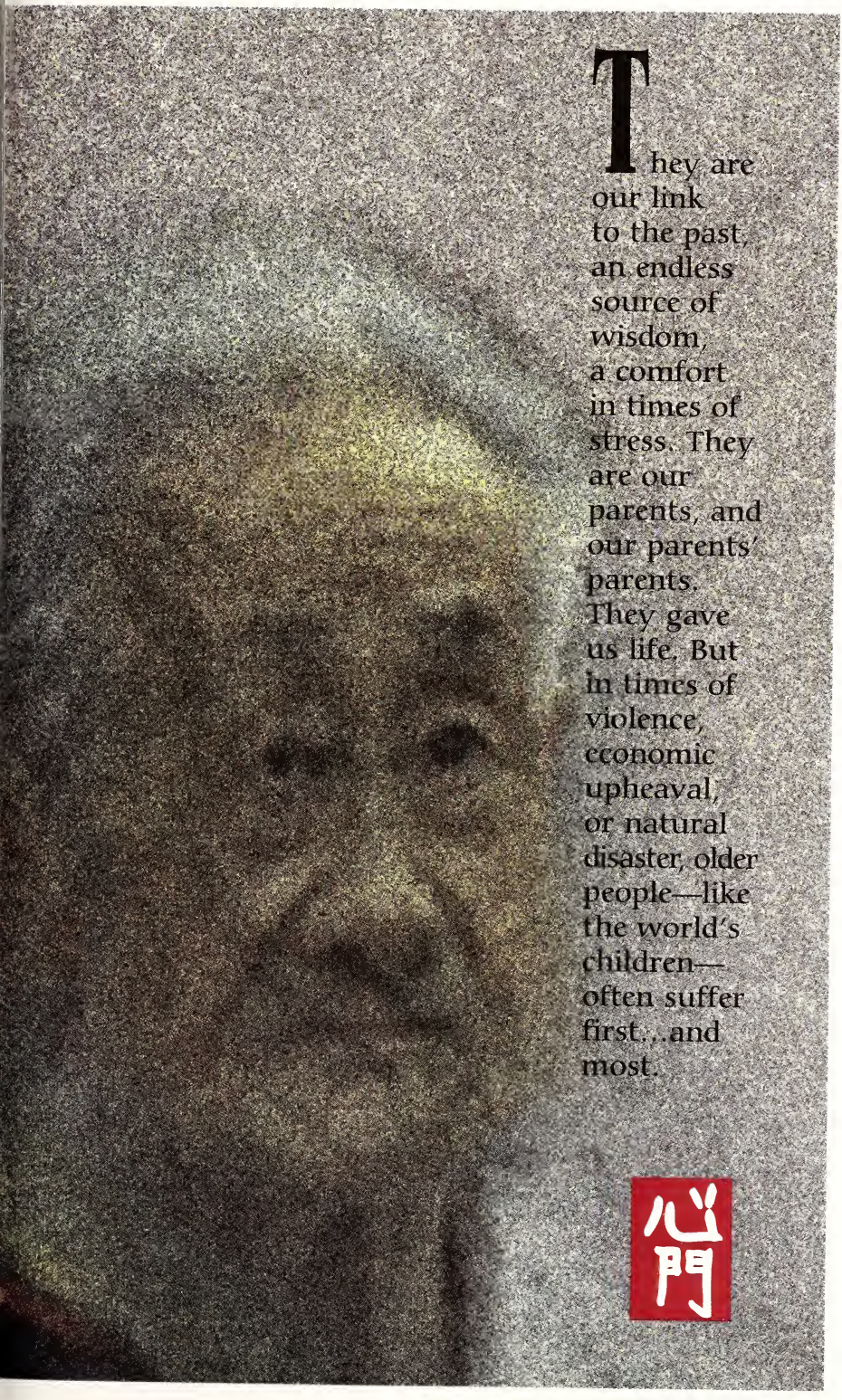
L: The Peace of Christ be with you;
P: And also with you.
(Extend the hand of peace to those seated near you...)

PLAYING OF THE CHIMES

CHORAL ANTHEM: "O Sacred Head Surrounded" Hassler/Handel

SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING

The Call to Give
Offertory Hymn "Down at the Cross" No. 189



They are our link to the past, an endless source of wisdom, a comfort in times of stress. They are our parents, and our parents' parents. They gave us life. But in times of violence, economic upheaval, or natural disaster, older people—like the world's children—often suffer first...and most.

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When the Yangtze River overflowed its banks in the early 1990s, many rural Chinese peasants were forced from their homes. New housing patterns did not accommodate several generations under the same roof, and it was often the elderly who were cast adrift. China's rush toward modernization has broken traditional bonds between the generations.

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Your gifts to One Great Hour of Sharing provide development aid, refugee assistance and disaster relief in more than 70 countries worldwide, including our own. Your contributions help older people who are in need, whether from the devastation of a hurricane in the United States, violence and political change in Eastern Europe or the fallout from rapid development in China.



Open wide your hearts to those whose years have been long on this earth, so that they can experience the blessing of God's continuing care in each new day.

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✣**Doxology and Presentation of Gifts**

✣Offertory Prayer of Dedication

CHILDREN'S TIME

Children in grade 2 and below are invited to attend the second hour program downstairs or remain as parents wish.

HEBREW LESSON **Genesis 17: 1-7 page 12 OT Pew Bible**

SERMON **Arch Aitcheson Pastor & Teacher**

"Covenant Response of Spiritual Service"

COMMUNITY PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRAYER RESPONSE "O Savior of the World"

✣**HYMN** "In the Cross of Christ I Glory" No. 193

BENEDICTION

CHORAL AMEN "Fourfold Amen"

✣**POSTLUDE**

✣**You are Invited to Stand at these moments**

Prayer List for the Week

Lanie Hayes	Carey Andes	Jane McNaney	Ernie McLelland
Charles Woolsey	Helene Spoida	Linda Raker	Ada Miller
Robert Timms	Dawn Shepherd	Marion Stamey	Nancy Welborn
Fred Daniels	Ruth Marlowe	Dr. J.R. Kernodle	Stephen Miller
Lorrain Linton	Edith Shotzberger	Robbie Savage	Katie Dudziec
Anne Pope	Doug Wood	Susan Cummings	Howard Edgerton
Harold Parker			

To add your loved one to the prayer chain call 584-0391

☺ Many Thanks to Heidi Danieley & Joy Aitcheson for the flute playing during today's Choral Anthem!

☺ Greeters today are Ralph and Patsy Jourdan.

☺ Our Acolytes today are Claire Welborn and Zack Welborn.

Church Family Statistics

Attendance Last Sunday	Offering	Offering Needed
137	$ 4,974.27	$ 4,500.00 /week
	AC/ETC Gifts: $223.00	

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WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY, February 23, 1997
9:45 a.m. Sunday School/11:00 a.m. Worship
1:30 p.m. Youth Fellowship
6:00 p.m. Chancel Ringers I
6:30 p.m. Catholic Mass
7:00 p.m. Chancel Ringers II

MONDAY, February 24, 1997
6:30 p.m. Scout Blue/Gold Banquet - Parish House
7:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry Interviews

TUESDAY, February 25, 1997
10:30 a.m. Church Staff Meeting - Library
12:00 Noon - Lunch Bunch - Parish House

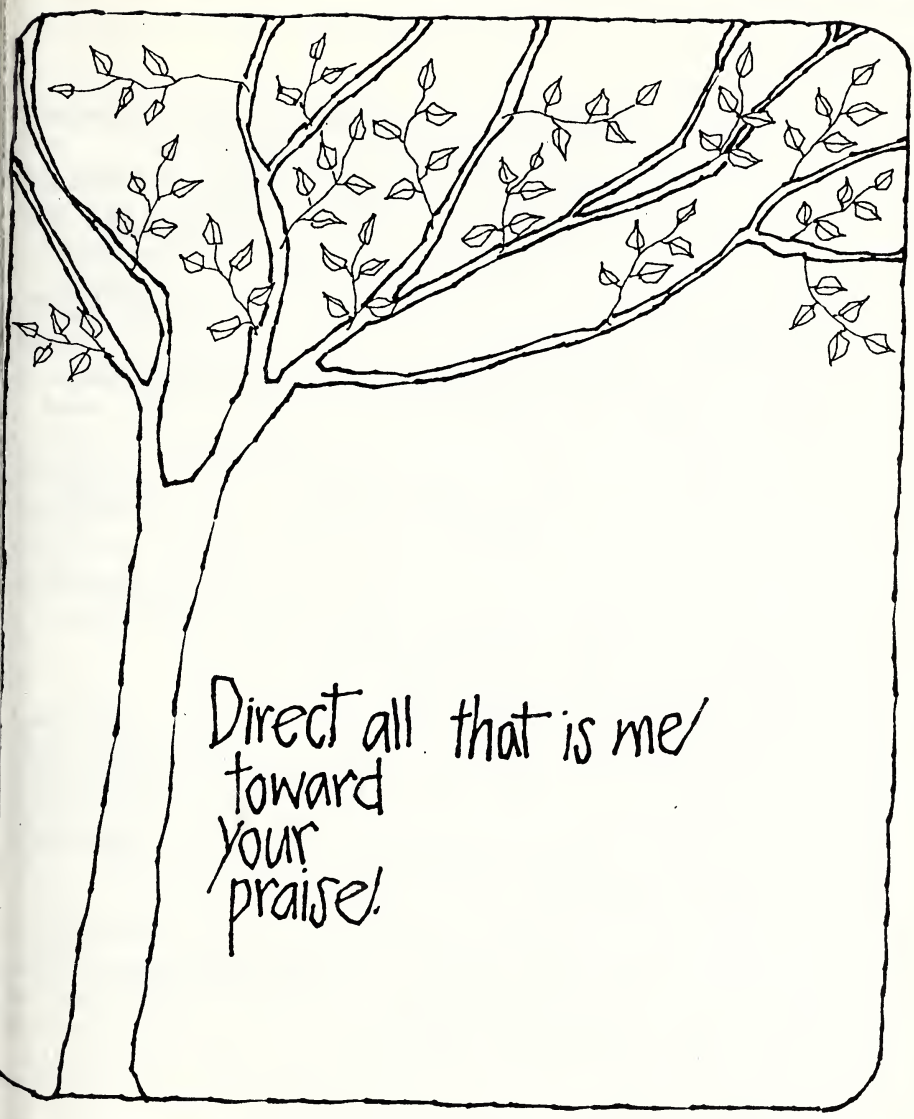
WEDNESDAY, February 26, 1997
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal
8:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous

THURSDAY, February 27,1997
7:30 a.m. Breakfast Club Bible Study
3:45 p.m. Terrific Thursday
7:00 p.m. Lenten Study

SATURDAY, March 1, 1997
3:00 p.m. David Ruth/Christy Chappell Wedding

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in honor of Caroline Edgerton Powell on her 90th birthday by her nieces and nephews.

Nursery for today: Mary Ruth. Next week: Maxine Rich and Jeff Wilkins, III.
Second Hour Child Care for today: Bill Linde and Katherine Floyd. Next week: Jean and Bill Motley.



Elon College Community Church
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March 2, 1997
Third Sunday in Lent

Elon College Community Church
of the United Church of Christ
"Living Christ in Today's World"
March 2, 1997 Eleven o'clock in the Morning
Third Sunday in Lent

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PRELUDE

WORSHIP GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRANSITION TO WORSHIP

INTROIT "Jesus is Lord" Jerry Sinclair

✣ **HYMN** **"O God, How We Have Wandered"** **No. 202**

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

Liturgist: Matthew Woody
Gospel Lesson: John 2: 13-22 Page 91-92 NT Pew Bible
Collect and Lighting of the Christ Candle
Statement of Faith No. 885 (back of the Hymnal)

SERVICE OF FORGIVENESS

Call to Confession
Personal Prayer (pray in silence . . .)
Litany of Confession: No. 838 (back of Hymnal)
Words of Assurance
✣ Gloria Patri (Traditional words) tune No. 759
✣Passing of the Peace

L: The Peace of Christ be with you;
P: And also with you.
(Extend the hand of peace to those seated near you...)

PLAYING OF THE CHIMES

SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING

The Call to Give
Offertory Anthem
✣**Doxology and Presentation of Gifts**
✣Offertory Prayer of Dedication

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

William Robert Vickers, son of Vic and Jacki Vickers

Baptismal Hymn "Child of Blessing" vs. 1 & 2 **No. 325**
Service of Baptism
Presentation
Baptismal Hymn vs. 3 & 4 **No. 325**

Children in grade 2 and below are invited to attend the second hour program downstairs or remain as parents wish.

MEDITATION "Edifice Complex" **Arch Aitcheson, Pastor**

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation and Prayer of Consecration

Sharing the Feast

Ushers will guide the congregation for Communion. Please take the bread, dip it into the chalice and partake of the morsel as you return to your pew.

Music Meditation during Communion

Prayer of Thanksgiving

✣**HYMN** "Jesus Loves Me!" No. 327

BENEDICTION

CHORAL AMEN "Fourfold Amen"

✣**POSTLUDE**

✣**You are Invited to Stand at these moments**

Prayer List for the Week

Lanie Hayes	Carey Andes	Jane McNaney	Ernie McLelland
Charles Woolsey	Helene Spoida	Emiline Wayne	Nancy Welborn
Robert Timms	Dawn Shepherd	Marion Stamey	Katie Dudziec
Ruth Marlowe	Mary Ann Becht	Lorrain Linton	Susan Cummings
Anne Pope	Doug Wood	Dr. J.R. Kernodle	

To add your loved one to the prayer chain call 584-0391

☺ Greeters today are Eric and Melodie Allshouse.

☺ Our Acolytes today are Jesse Chatfield and Jessica Horner.

☺ Welcome to the Vickers Family and their friends as we celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism for William Robert Vickers.

Church Family Statistics

Attendance Last Sunday	Offering	Offering Needed
186	$ 6,915.50	$ 4,500.00 /week

AC/ETC Gifts:
$77.78

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WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY, March 2, 1997

9:45 a.m. Sunday School/11:00 a.m. Worship
12:15 p.m. Youth Fellowship
6:00 p.m. Chancel Ringers I
6:30 p.m. Catholic Mass
7:00 p.m. Chancel Ringers II

MONDAY, March 3, 1997

10:30 a.m. Circle 1 - Library
7:00 p.m. Cub Scouts
7:30 p.m. Circle 2 - home of Estelle Willard

TUESDAY, March 4, 1997

10:30 a.m. Church Staff Meeting - Library
2:30 p.m. Circle 3 - Library
5:00 p.m. CROP Meeting
8:00 p.m. Shelter Night

WEDNESDAY, March 5, 1997

7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal
8:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous

THURSDAY, March 6,1997

7:30 a.m. Breakfast Club Bible Study
3:45 p.m. Terrific Thursday
7:00 p.m. Lenten Study

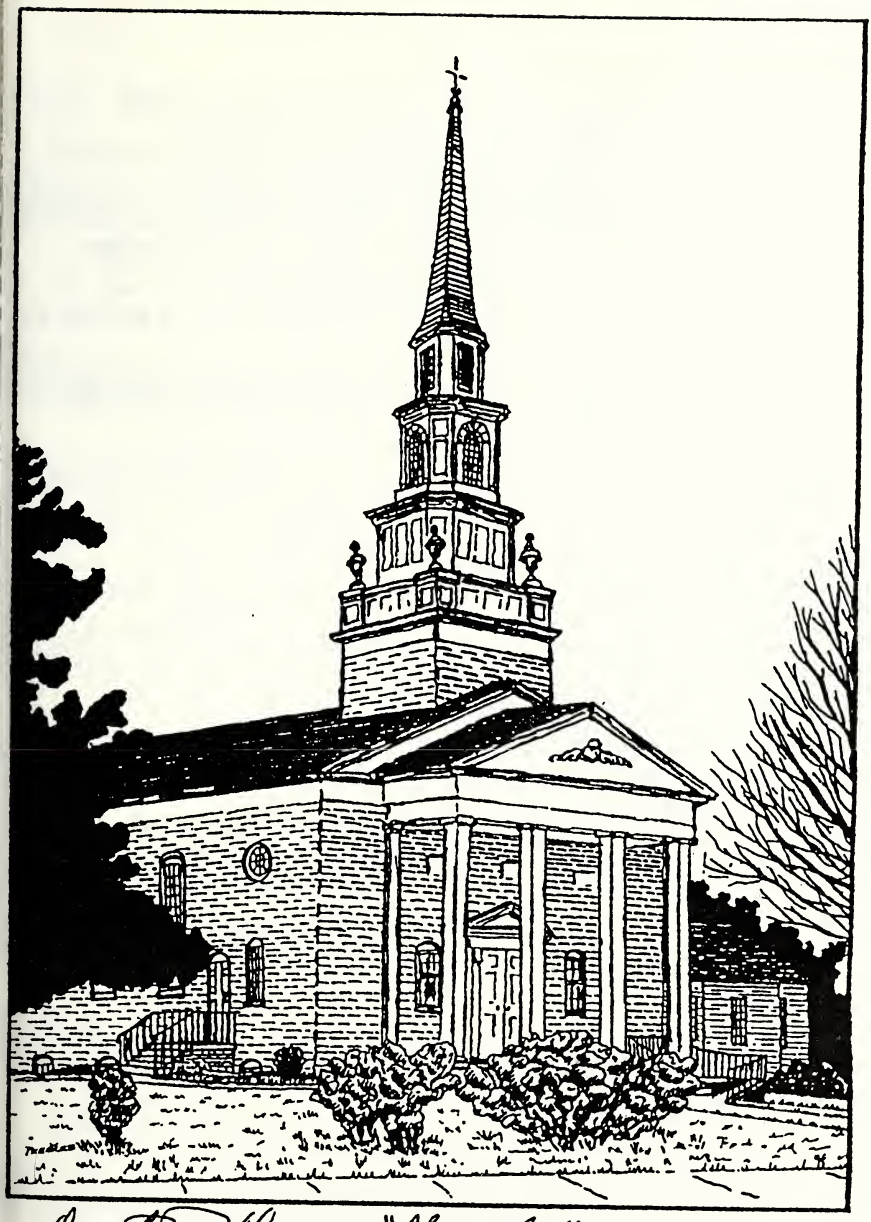
FRIDAY, March 7, 1997

6:45 p.m. Special Fridays
7:30 p.m. Shelter Meal - Youth

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and i loving memory of Leroy S. Hughes by Gladys Hughe David and Charlotte.

Nursery for today: Maxine Rich and Jeff Wilkins, III. Next week: Beth Schmidt and Hilda Oxford.

Second Hour Child Care for today: Jean and Bill Motley. Next week Patsy Oliver and Marie Wilkins.



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Fourth Sunday in Lent

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PRELUDE

WORSHIP GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRANSITION TO WORSHIP

INTROIT "Jesus is Lord" Jerry Sinclair

✣ **HYMN** **"Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed"** **No. 199**

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

Liturgist: Mark Danieley
Gospel Lesson: John 3:14-21 Page 92 NT Pew Bible
Collect and Lighting of the Christ Candle

SERVICE OF FORGIVENESS

Call to Confession
Personal Prayer (pray in silence . . .)
Prayer of Confession:
L: For choosing Darkness over Light, O Lord,
P: **Forgive us.**
L: For taking the popular way over the sacred,
P: **Forgive us.**
L: For allowing injustice rather than take a stand,
P: **Forgive us.**
L: For running from your love rather than embracing it,
P: **Forgive us.**
L: In the name of Jesus Christ, Savior!
P: **Amen.**
Words of Assurance
✣ Gloria Patri (Traditional words) tune No. 759
✣Passing of the Peace
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PLAYING OF THE CHIMES

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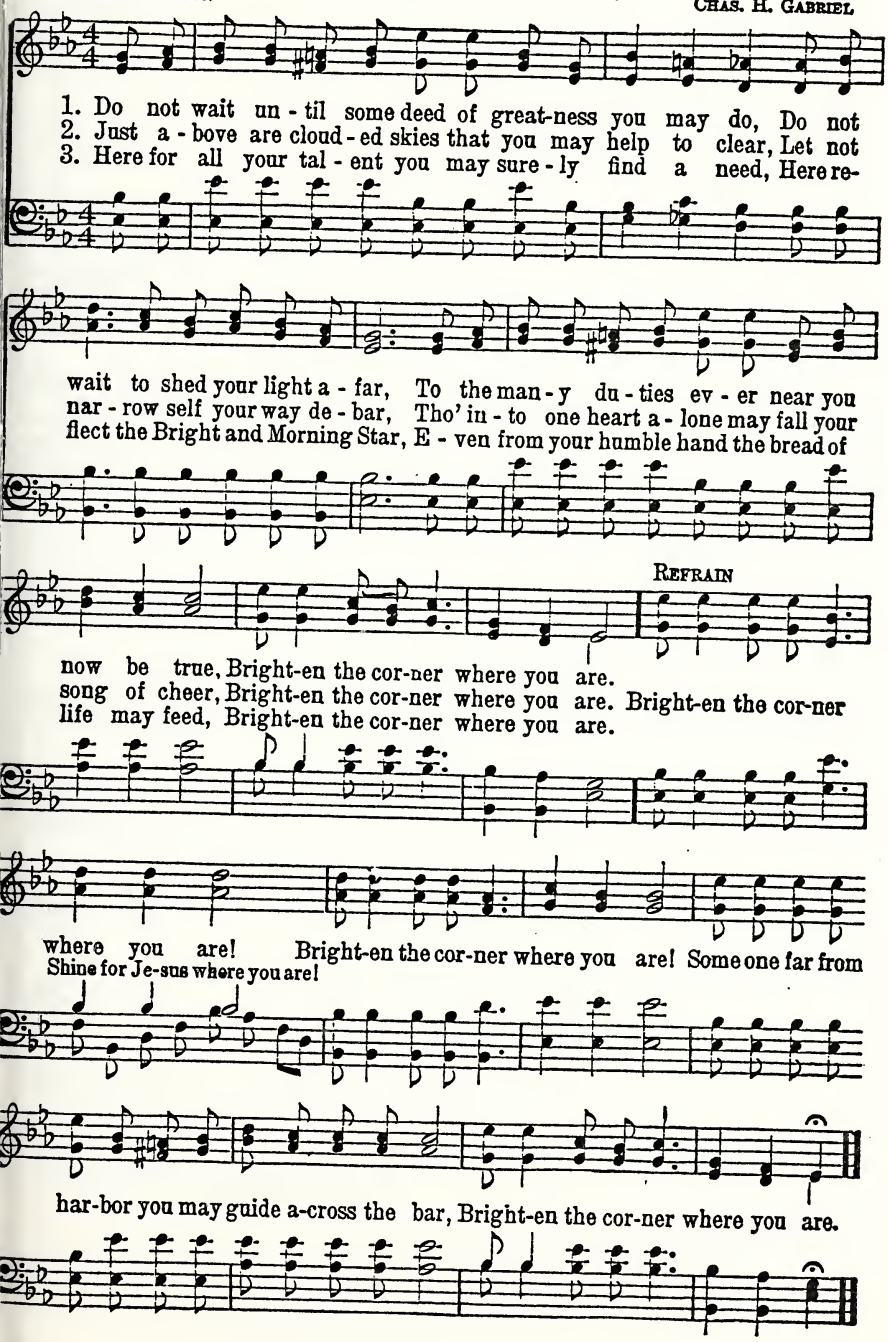
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Fourth Annual Candlelight Service of Remembrance

On March 16, 1997, at 4:00 pm, the Fourth Annual Memorial Candlelight Service will be held in our sanctuary to remember children who have died and to offer surviving families a time of prayer and remembrance. A covered dish meal will be held in the Parish House following the service.

If you have a child that you would like to be remembered in this service please fill out the form below and return it to the church office by March 9, 1997. Questions? -Telephone Arch at 584-0391 or Patricia at 584-5418.

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Send to Grief Support Network - P.O. Box 625 - Elon College, N. C. 27244-0625

Parents' Names:_____

Name of Child to be Remembered:_____

Birth date_____ **Death date**_____

Phone No._____

No. of family members attending service:_____ **supper:**_____

I will bring _____ **to the covered dish meal.**
(food item. . . .)



EVERYONE IS INVITED!!

The Women's Fellowship is sponsoring a Mission Program on Monday, March 10 at 10:00 a.m. in the Parish House. The topic of this ecumenical mission emphasis for 1996-97 is "Hong Kong and China - The Enduring Christian Church." Dr. and Mrs. Sterling Whitener, former missionaries to China, will be the speakers. They have recently re-visited China and will be able to bring us updated information about the status of the Christian faith in that part of the world.

Everyone interested is invited to come at 10:00 a.m. for coffee and remain through the program for a light lunch of soup, salad, and dessert. The three circles will meet briefly afterward for a business session.

Katherine Floyd



The Call to Give

Offertory Hymn "An Outcast Among Outcasts" **No. 201**

✣Doxology and Presentation of Gifts

✣Offertory Prayer of Dedication

CHILDREN'S TIME

Children in grade 2 and below are invited to attend the second hour program downstairs or remain as parents wish.

SERMON "Brighten the Corner Where You Are!" Arch Aitcheson

✣**HYMN** "Take Up Your Cross!" No. 204

BENEDICTION

CHORAL AMEN "Fourfold Amen"

✣**POSTLUDE**

✣You are Invited to Stand at these moments

Prayer List for the Week

Lanie Hayes	Carey Andes	Jane McNaney	Ernie McLelland
Helene Spoida	Emiline Wayne	Ada Miller	Robert Timms
Dawn Shepherd	Mary Ann Becht	Nancy Welborn	Ruth Marlowe
Stephen Miller	Dr. J.R. Kernodle	Lorrain Linton	Katie Dudziec
Anne Pope	Doug Wood	Ann Vickers	Susan Cummings

To add your loved one to the prayer chain call 584-0391

☺ Greeters today are Olga and Nora Griswold.

☺ Our Acolytes today are Rebecca Perry and Susan Heinzerling.

☺ Karen Messina will have her Senior Recital on Saturday, March 15, 1997 at 7:00 p.m. at Yeager Recital Hall, Faith Rockefeller Model Center for the Arts at Elon College.

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156	$ 4,733.75	$ 4,500.00 /week

AC/ETC Gifts: $685.00

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WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY, March 9, 1997
9:45 a.m. Sunday School/11:00 a.m. Worship
12:00 p.m. New Member Covered Dish Luncheon
1:30 p.m Youth Fellowship
5:00 p.m. Chancel Ringers II
6:30 p.m. Church Nite
Catholic Mass

MONDAY, March 10, 1997
10:00 a.m. Women's Fellowship General Meeting - Parish House
7:00 p.m. Cub Scouts

TUESDAY, March 11, 1997
10:30 a.m. Church Staff Meeting - Library

WEDNESDAY, March 12, 1997
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal
8:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous

THURSDAY, March 13,1997
7:30 a.m. Breakfast Club Bible Study
3:45 p.m. Terrific Thursday
7:00 p.m. Lenten Study

SATURDAY, March 15, 1997
9:30 a.m. Board Chairs and Leaders Breakfast

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in honor of Lois Bost and Howard Edgerton for their many years of loyal service to the Chancel Choir by Cary and Jackie Matlock.

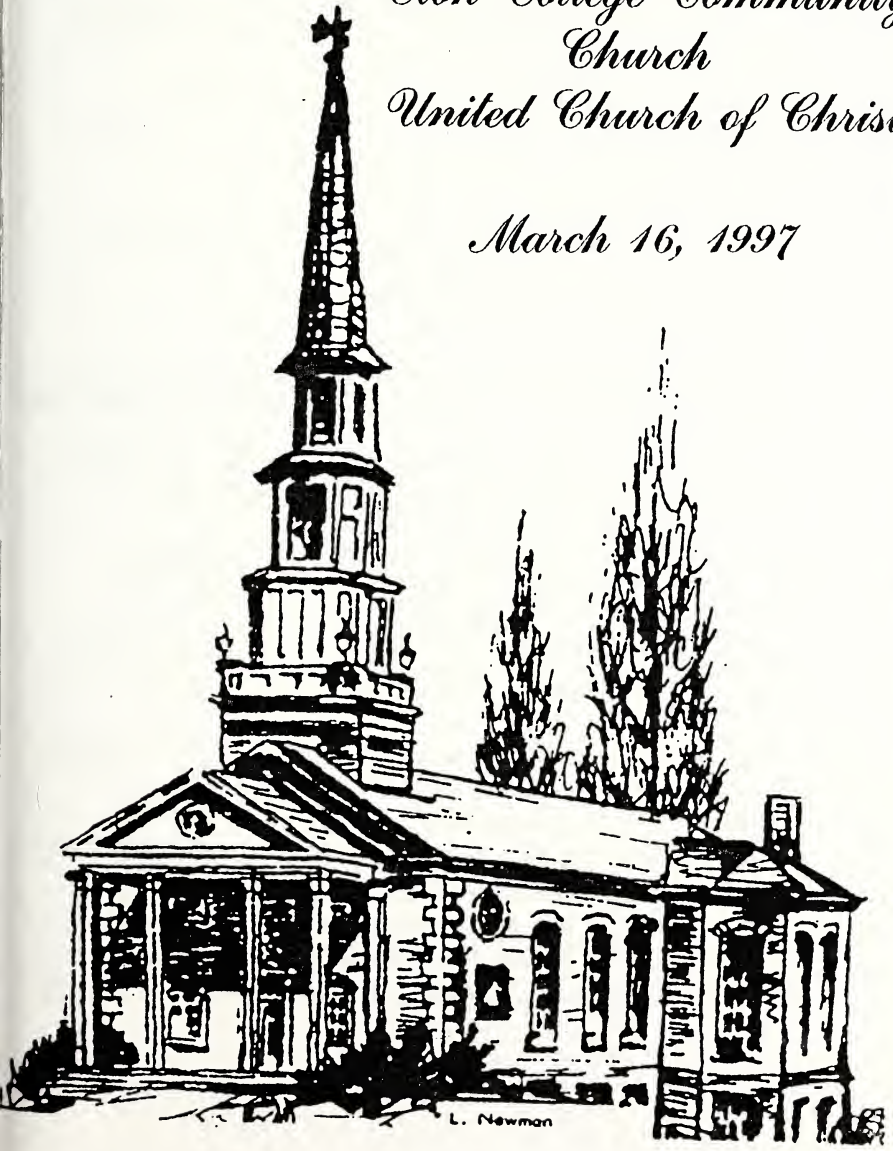
Nursery for today: Beth Schmidt and Hilda Oxford. Next week: Olga Griswold and Cile Welborn.
Second Hour Child Care for today: Patsy Oliver and Marie Wilkins. Next week: Eddie Oliver and Jeff Wilkins.

"Living Christ in Today's World!"

Morning Worship at

Elon College Community Church
United Church of Christ

March 16, 1997



Elon College Community Church
of the United Church of Christ
"Living Christ in Today's World"
March 16, 1997 Eleven o'clock in the Morning
Fifth Sunday in Lent

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PRELUDE

WORSHIP GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRANSITION TO WORSHIP

INTROIT "Jesus is Lord" Jerry Sinclair

✣**HYMN** "Just as I Am" No. 207

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

Liturgist: Meg Wilkins

Gospel Lesson: John 12:20-33 Page 104-105 NT Pew Bible

Collect and Lighting of the Christ Candle

SERVICE OF FORGIVENESS

Call to Confession

Personal Prayer (pray in silence . . .)

Litany of Confession No. 838 in The New Century Hymnal

Words of Assurance

✣Gloria Patri (Traditional words) tune No. 759

✣Passing of the Peace

L: The Peace of Christ be with you;

P: And also with you.

(Extend the hand of peace to those seated near you...)

PLAYING OF THE CHIMES

CHORAL ANTHEM "Be Not Afraid" Craig Courtney

SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING

The Call to Give

Offertory Hymn: "Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross" No. 197

✣**Doxology and Presentation of Gifts**

✣Offertory Prayer of Dedication

CHILDREN'S TIME "Neighbors?"

Children in grade 2 and below are invited to attend the second hour program downstairs or remain as parents wish.

SERMON "Seeds of Hope for All People" Arch Aitcheson

✣**HYMN** "Jesus, the Joy of Loving Hearts" vs. 1,2 & 4,5 No. 329

THE BOARD OF EVANGELISM
is sponsoring

A LENTEN DINNER
Tuesday, March 18
at 6:00 p.m.
in the Parish House
*****

Subway sandwiches
$3.50 per person
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Drinks and desserts provided
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A Lenten Presentation by
Pastor Arch Aitcheson
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RESERVATIONS REQUIRED TODAY

complete form and turn in today

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Name_____

Number of reservations_____



THE RELAY EXPRESS

Dear Friends:

The Relay for Life Cancer Walk will be April 25 -26 this year. I recently heard about the walk at work. Although, I am not a cancer survivor, my life has been affected by cancer. My mother died of a brain tumor in Feb. 1989, and my best friend from high school had a sixteen year son die of bone cancer. I will be walking in memory of my mother and my friend's son as well as in honor of church members who are cancer survivors.

I need your support to make my first walk a success. My goal is to raise $2,000 for the American Cancer Society. If I obtain this goal I will receive a 20" Color TV with remote, which I will donate to the youth room. Please make out a check to American Cancer Society and either mail it to me at 1637 Regency Drive, Burlington, NC 27215, and give it to me in church. I will need to turn the money in before I walk on April 25.

If anyone is interested in joining me as a walk, I would be glad to have you on my team. I am a team leader for a LabCorp team. At present we have only three team members and would like at least seven more. Please call me at 584-2683 for any additional information.

Thank you for your support

Ann Acquilano

BENEDICTION
CHORAL AMEN "Fourfold Amen"
✣POSTLUDE

✣You are Invited to Stand at these moments

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Katie Dudziec	Jules Spach	Anne Pope	Doug Wood
Susan Cummings	Julius Rice	Beth Wilkins	

Sympathy to the family of William Sims

To add your loved one to the prayer chain call 584-0391

☺ Greeters today are Bill and Susan Barbee.

☺ Our Acolytes today are Miranda Rich and Nicole Williamson.

☺ At 4:00 this afternoon a **CANDLELIGHT SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE** will be held in our sanctuary to remember the children of area families who have died. Our speaker this year will be Jeanette Wayne of Winston-Salem. Special Music will be a part of the worship. A Covered Dish supper will follow in the Parish House. All are welcome!

☺ Pastor Arch is still looking for readers for a very special Good Friday Candlelight Service. There will be one rehearsal after worship on Palm Sunday. Speak to him today if you would like to help!

☺ Helen Rippy will have an Art Exhibit of her travels to the Holy Land April 6-30th at the Burlington Artist League Gallery BMOC Row 5, Reception April 6th, 2:00-4:00 p.m.

Church Family Statistics

Attendance Last Sunday	Offering	Offering Needed
146	$ 3,425.33	$ 4,500.00 /week

AC/ETC Gifts: $560.00

One Great Hour of Sharing: $588.00

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WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY, March 16, 1997

9:45 a.m. Sunday School/11:00 a.m. Worship
Youth Bake Sale Following Worship Service
1:30 p.m Youth Fellowship
4:00 p.m. Service of Remembrance
6:00 p.m. Chancel Ringers I
6:30 p.m. Catholic Mass
7:00 p.m. Chancel Ringers II

MONDAY, March 17, 1997

10:00 a.m. Nominating Committee Mtg.
12:00 Noon - TORCH Deadline
7:00 p.m. Cub Scouts
Stephens Ministry Training

TUESDAY, March 18, 1997

10:30 a.m. Church Staff Meeting - Library
6:30 p.m. Churchwide Fellowship Meal

WEDNESDAY, March 19, 1997

4:00 p.m. Catholic Community
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal
8:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous

THURSDAY, March 20,1997

7:30 a.m. Breakfast Club Bible Study
3:45 p.m. Terrific Thursday
7:00 p.m. Lenten Study Group

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of John D. Schmidt by Beth Schmidt.

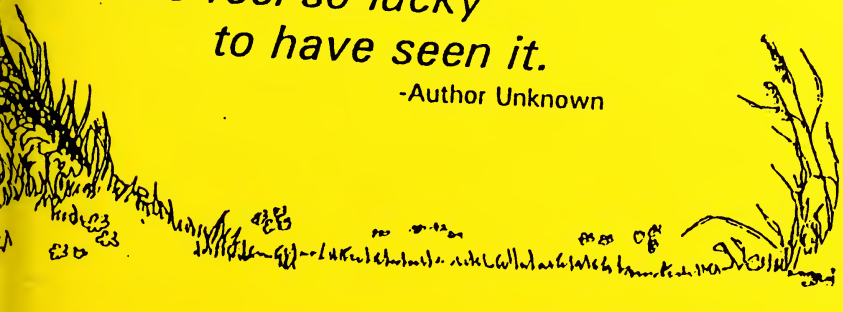
Nursery for today: Olga Griswold and Cile Welborn. Next week: Eric and Melodie Allshouse.
Second Hour Child Care for today: Eddie Oliver and Jeff Wilkins. Next week: Mike and Janet Mayse.



A CANDLELIGHT SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE

A butterfly lights beside us
like a sunbeam.
And for a brief moment
its glory and beauty
belong to our world.
But then it flies on again,
and though we wish
it could have stayed,
We feel so lucky
to have seen it.

-Author Unknown



A CANDLELIGHT SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE
Sponsored by
The Grief Support Network for Parents and Siblings
Elon College Community Church
United Church of Christ

March 16, 1997 **Four o'clock in the Afternoon**

PRELUDE "Take My Life And Let It Be" Pethel

WELCOME Rev. Arch Aitcheson

CHORAL ANTHEM "Wings of the Dawn" L. Spencer

✧HYMN OF FAITH **No. 468**
"The Care the Eagle Gives Her Young"

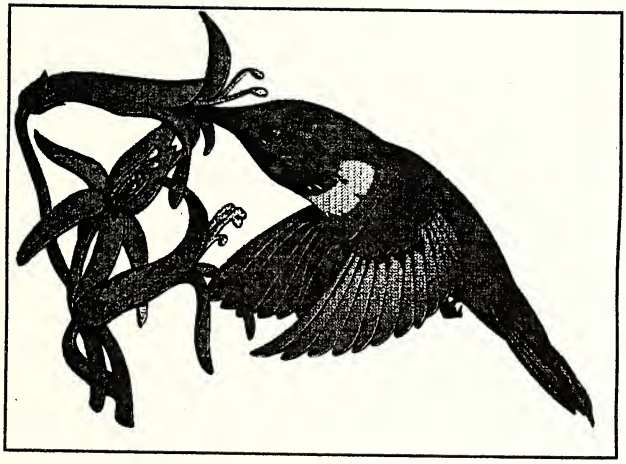
SCRIPTURE LESSON **Isaiah 40: 28 - 31**
read by Robin Woody of the Grief Support Network

RESPONSIVE READING: "We Remember Them!"
Read by Arch Aitcheson of the Grief Support Network
(from the Reformed Jewish Prayerbook: Gates of Prayer)

In the Rising of the sun and in its going down,
We remember them.
In the blowing of the wind and in the chill of winter,
We remember them.
In the opening of buds and in the rebirth of Spring,
We remember them.
In the blueness of the sky and in summer's warmth,
We remember them.
In the rustling of leaves and the beauty of autumn,
We remember them.
In the beginning of the year and when it ends,
We remember them.
When we are weary and in need of strength,

The Grief
Support Network
P.O. Box 625
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27244-0625

(910) 584-0391



The Grief Support Network sponsored by Elon College Community Church is an inter-faith gathering of parents and siblings who seek support and community after the loss of a child.

The group was founded in 1993 in the hopes of providing a network of families who understand the unique grief issues and the needs of those who know the challenges this grief presents.

Meetings are held **every** Third Sunday of each month from five o'clock to seven o'clock in the evening. A "covered dish supper" is shared, followed by meetings for adults and children. In April of 1996 a facilitator was added to work with the children's component!

You are invited to attend!

"Let your light shine . . ."

In loving Remembrance and celebration of:

T. J. Breashears, Jr.
11 hours

Baby Breashears
Miscarriage

Babaji Kevin Broughton
18 Years

Aaron David Carter
1 day

Sherry Clark
18 Years

Gregory Scott Couch
27 Years

Sarah Ellen D'Arcy
2 years 10 months

Stuart Daniels
20 Years

Andrew Michael Gross
4 years

Michael Hinton
18 Years

Michael Hockett
39 Years

Christopher Paul Jirak
16 Months

Jeremy R. King
18 Years

Lakeisha King
20 Years

Marsha Lou Lankford
19 Years

Robert Bryan Lashley
23 Years

Jacquelyn Alexandra Lowe
Stillborn

Joshua Stephen Loy
3 years 4 months

Jamison Dalton McAdams
Stillborn
Betty Jean Mabe
2 1/2 Years
John Mattern
27 Years
Catherine Ferrell Moorefield
17 Years
George Alvin Noah, Jr.
34 years
Russell Bruce Parker
29 Years
Margie Grey Weeks Peck
47 years
Kevin Penland
Stillborn
Aaron Penland
13 Months
Cynthia Lisa Shabozz
32 Years
William Stafford
40 Years
Susan Stanley
16 Years
Robin Leigh Stutts
22 Years
Robert Matthew Swift
22 Years
Baby Troxler
1 day
Jeffrey Fredrick Tucker
18 Years
Keri Gail Underwood
21 Years
Ken Upsher
30 Years
Olivia Grace Wayne
32 Weeks

Baby Wayne
6 Weeks
David Allen White
32 Years
Gregory Scott White
14 Years
Lofton Matthew Willis, Jr.
28 Years
Robert Franklin Woody, III
17 Years, 4 months, 5 days

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A Special Remembrance for
Audrey M. Hall
wife of Kenneth R. Hall
60 Years

We Give Back to You

We give back to you, O God, those whom you have given to us. You did not lose them when you gave them to us, and we do not lose them by their return to you. You have taught us that life is eternal and that love cannot die. Death is only a horizon, and a horizon is only the limit of our sight. Open our eyes to see more clearly, and draw us closer to you that we may know that we are nearer to our loved ones, who are with you. You have told us that you are preparing a place for us: prepare us also for that place - - that where you are, we may also be, O dear Lord of life and death. Amen.

-William Penn

Persons Participating in the Service:

Arch Aitcheson, pastor of Elon College Community Church of the United Church of Christ and the Grief Support Network

Liz Aitcheson, Choral Director

Betty Dillashaw, Pianist

Richard Neubauer, Organist

Jeanette Wayne, parent

Emily Woody, soloist

Patricia Woody, Grief Support Network

Robin Woody, Grief Support Network

Matthew Woody, Acolyte

The Chancel Choir of Elon College Community Church of the United Church of Christ

Members of the Grief Support Network for Parents and Siblings wish to express sincere thanks to the staff of Lowe Funeral Home, Inc. for publicity and support in planning today's event.

Jeanette Wayne is married to Richard Wayne and lives in Winston Salem. She was recommended to us by **Kinder Morn** of Charlotte, NC. Jeanette grew up in the suburbs of Denver, Colorado and attended Metropolitan State College to receive a degree in Social Work. She has worked with abused and emotionally disturbed children. She has also served as a missionary to Panama with Campus Crusade for Christ, as a missionary to the Bahamas and Canada with Youth With A Mission, and as a missionary with Richard to the Amazon Region of Brazil. She and Richard have faced the death of two infant children. Their daughter Emiline Victoria, born on February 11 of this year is currently hospitalized at Baptist Hospital in Winston Salem and is growing stronger with each passing day. We are blessed to have her with us!

We remember them.
When we are lost and sick at heart,
We remember them.
When we have joys we yearn to share,
We remember them.
So long as we live, they too shall live,
for they are now a part of us,
As we remember them.
Thanks be to God, for the memories.

SOLO **" I Will Remember You "** **Sarah McLaughlin**
sung by Emily Woody

REFLECTION OF A PARENT **Mrs. Jeanette Wayne**

READING **"Letter from Heaven"** **Author Unknown**
read by Patricia Woody of the Grief Support Network

✧HYMN OF PROMISE **No. 433**
"In the Bulb There is A Flower"

CANDLELIGHT SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE
A candle will be lighted for each name read. Please remain in prayer as we remember each child and their family. The poem "Candlelighting" **is written by Karen Story of Montgomery, Alabama.**

PRAYER OF BLESSING AND BENEDICTION
✧POSTLUDE "But the Lord is Mindful of His Own"

A Community Covered Dish Supper and conversation with Jeanette Wayne follows the service in the Parish House (White Building next to the church . . .). Please come!

Candlelighting

Karen Story
TCF, Montgomery, AL

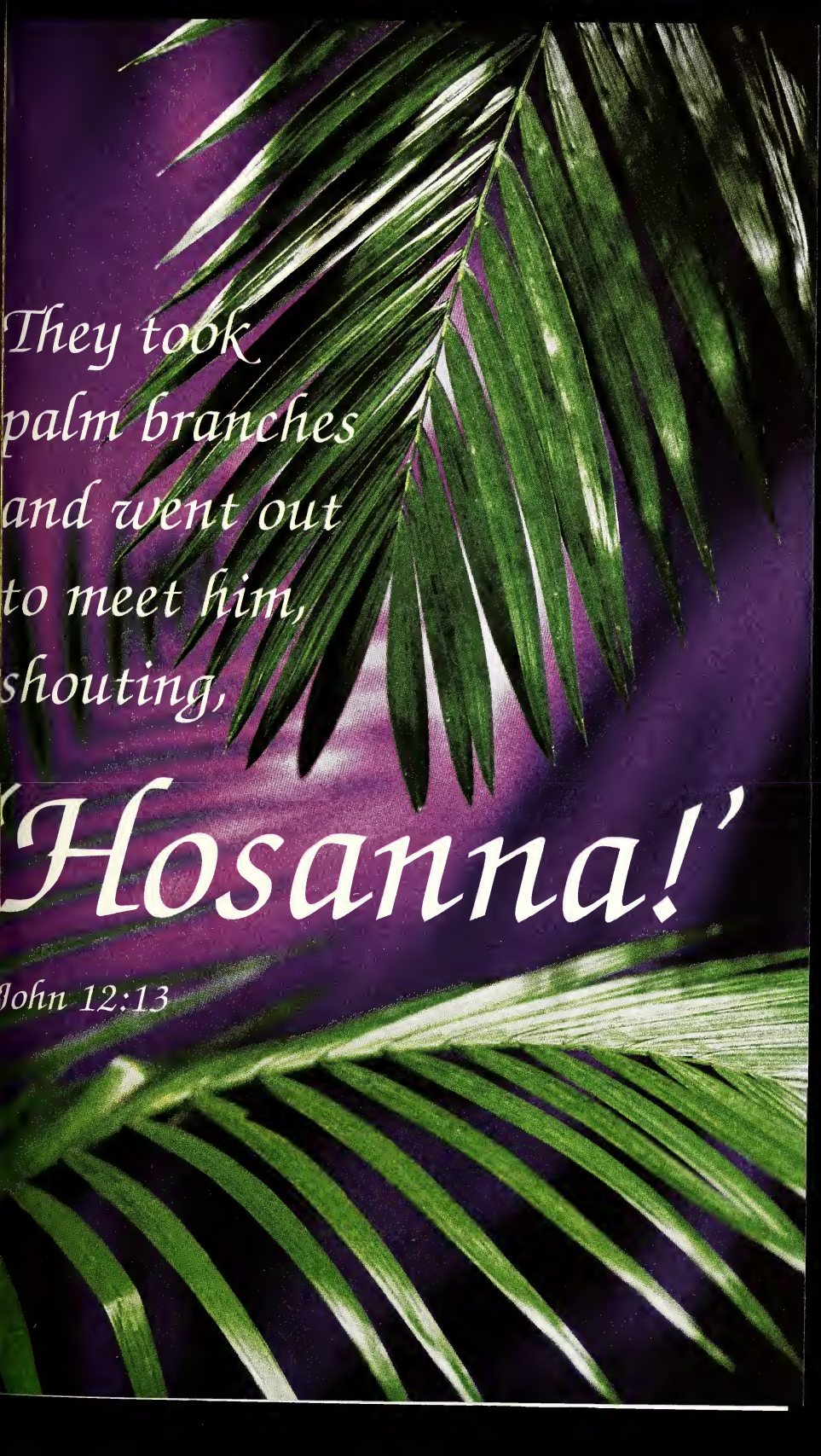
It's time again to light the candles.
And while we view the burning flames
We think of all our beloved children
And hear the reading of their names.

All who are here have suffered heartbreak,
We each have felt the crushing pain.
Our children dead, forever gone.
We can't forget them, so we came.

To grasp a hand, to lend a shoulder,
With helping friends we can all gain.
We feel support and understanding
And a hope that we can live again.

The candlelighting and remembrance
Affirms for us this truth so plain:
Our children will live on in our hearts.
And that love will always remain.




They took
palm branches
and went out
to meet him,
shouting,
'Hosanna!'
John 12:13

Elon College Community Church
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"Living Christ in Today's World"
March 23, 1997 Eleven o'clock in the Morning
Palm Sunday-Passion Sunday

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PRELUDE "Hosanna" Bryner

WORSHIP GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRANSITION TO WORSHIP

INTROIT "Jesus is Lord" Jerry Sinclair

✣ **HYMN** **"All Glory, Laud & Honor"** **No. 216**

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

Liturgist: Emily Woody
Gospel Lesson: John 12: 12-16 Page 104 NT Pew Bible
Collect and Lighting of the Christ Candle

SERVICE OF FORGIVENESS

Call to Confession
Personal Prayer (pray in silence . . .)
Litany of Confession No. 835 in The New Century Hymnal
Words of Assurance
✣ Gloria Patri (Traditional words) tune No. 759
✣Passing of the Peace

L: The Peace of Christ be with you;
P: And also with you.
(Extend the hand of peace to those seated near you...)

PLAYING OF THE CHIMES

CHORAL ANTHEM **"O Thou Eternal Christ Ride On" Yarrington**

SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING

The Call to Give
Offertory Hymn "Ride On, Ride On in Majesty!" **No. 215**
✣**Doxology and Presentation of Gifts**
✣Offertory Prayer of Dedication

CHILDREN'S TIME **"A Week of God's Love!"**

Children in grade 2 and below are invited to attend the second hour program downstairs or remain as parents wish.

SERMON **"Who Comes in the Name of the Lord?" Arch Aitcheson**

PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

CHORAL PRAYER RESPONSE

"Cast Thy Burden On the Lord!" Mendelssohn

HYMN "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna!" No. 213

BENEDICTION

CHORAL BLESSING "O Savior of the World" Yarrington

POSTLUDE "Trumpet Tune"

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stelle Willard	Allison Meincke	Marie Laughter	Frances Shoemaker

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1:30 p.m Youth Fellowship
5:00 p.m. Pastor/Parish Relations
6:00 p.m. Chancel Ringers I
6:30 p.m. Catholic Mass
7:00 p.m. Budget Finance Comm. Mtg.
Chancel Ringers II

MONDAY, March 24, 1997
7:00 p.m. Cub Scouts
Stephens Ministry Training

TUESDAY, March 25, 1997
10:30 a.m. Church Staff Meeting - Library
12:00 noon - Lunch Bunch - Parish House
7:00 p.m. Fundraising Comm. Mtg.

WEDNESDAY, March 26, 1997
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal
8:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous

THURSDAY, March 27,1997
7:30 a.m. Breakfast Club Bible Study
3:45 p.m. Terrific Thursday
7:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday Service
8:15 p.m. Lenten Study Group

FRIDAY, March 28, 1997
7:00 p.m. Good Friday Service

SATURDAY, March 29, 1997
10:30 a.m. Easter Egg Hunt

The palms on the altar are presented to the glory of God and in loving memory of Rev. John Kittenger, patricia Kittenger, and John Kittenger by Mrs. Eleanor Kittenger and Robert Kittenger.

No. 8145

O YOU KNOW WHAT I HAVE DONE TO YOU

Elon College Community Church
of the United Church of Christ
"Living Christ in Today's World"
March 27 , 1997 Seven o'clock in the Evening
Maundy Thursday
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PRELUDE

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

PRAYER OF BLESSING
***HYMN OF TRUTH** "Here, O My Lord" vs. 1 & 2 No.336
SERVICE OF FORGIVENESS
Call to Confession
Personal Prayer (pray in silence . . .)
Prayer of Confession:
L: As the flame of Christ burns brightly on our table,
P: **Help us to see beyond sins darkness, O Lord.**
L: As we hear the story of your love at Christ's table,
P: Help us to hear the call to change our ways, O Lord.
L: As we break bread in a sacred remembrance,
P: Forgive our blindness to the brokenness in others and ourselves.
L: As we share the cup of the New Covenant,
P: Forgive our failure to keep the sacred promises we proclaimed.
L: As we seek the blessing of the Feast of Love,
P: Love us and show us your grace and hope, O Lord.
L: In Jesus Christ, the Savior,
P: Amen.
Words of Assurance
✣ Gloria Patri (Traditional words) tune No. 759
✣Passing of the Peace
L: The Peace of Christ be with you;
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(Extend the hand of peace to those seated near you...)
PLAYING OF THE CHIMES
SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING
The Call to Give
Musical Meditation
✣**Doxology**

✣Offertory Prayer of Dedication

THE LAST SUPPER LESSON Luke 22: 7 - 20

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

Our Clown for Christ will present the Elements of the Last Supper. Please be attentive in this mime presentation to the actions and the symbols of this meditative experience.

SHARING THE FEAST OF THE LAST SUPPER

✣ Please come forward as directed by ushers to receive Communion by taking a piece of bread, dipping it into the chalice and returning to your seat by the side aisles.

Musical Meditation

Prayer of Thanksgiving and The Lord's Prayer

✣**HYMN** "As We Gather" No. 332

BENEDICTION

✣**POSTLUDE**

✣**You are Invited to Stand at these moments**

In the Service:

Pastor Rev. Arch Aitcheson

Hobo the Clown

Organist Rich Neubauer

Many thanks to Deacons who provided the elements for the Sacrament!

Tomorrow Night: **The Drama of the Crucifixion 7 PM**

Easter: **Sunrise Service (Elon Homes Chapel Yard) 6:45 AM**

Easter Worship 11 AM

CLOWNS IN CHURCH?

Have you ever seen clowns in church? Have you ever wondered what place they have in worship? Do Clowns offer us new insight and new symbols?

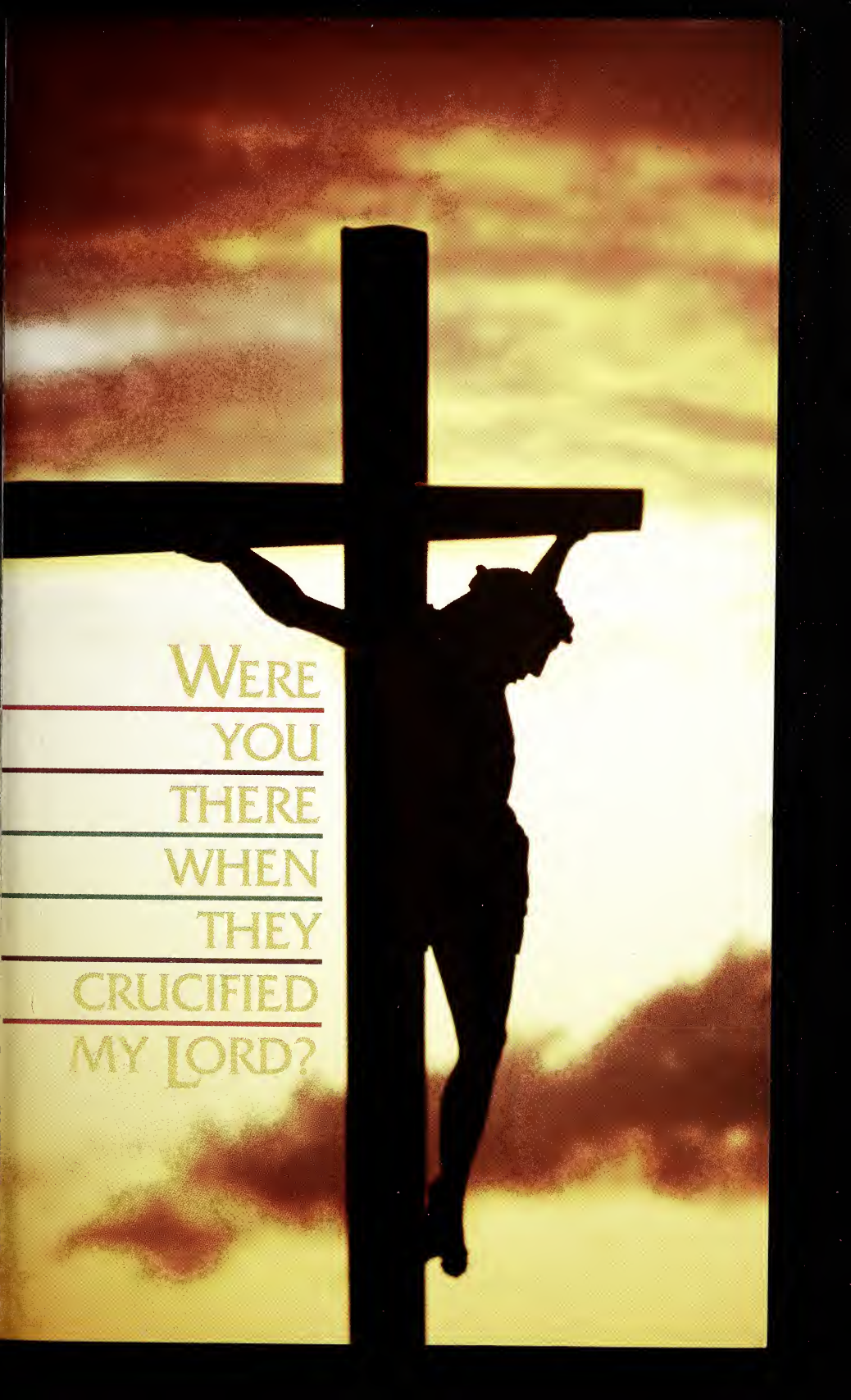
Tonight our worship will feature a Clown in the role of celebrant of the Lord's Supper. The word "clown" comes from the Anglo-Saxon word "Clod" meaning a lump of the earth. The clown in the role of celebrant symbolizes that of a servant. For in the Greek, the "clod" was the lowest form of servanthood. In the Upper Room, Jesus instructed his disciples to humble themselves and become "clods", servants to all persons.

A clown in worship is not the same as the clown we find in a circus. The clown in worship does not take on the role of entertainer or magician. A Christian Clown understands that the most powerful person is the one who can give his/her power away. A Christian Clown deals with transformation. The common and mundane is transformed into something beautiful and special; like the way God transforms us. Think about the transformation element involved in the Lord's Supper.

It is also appropriate, on the evening before Christ died, for a clown to be involved in worship, since in every culture the "white face" symbolizes death. To the Christian Clown, the white face symbolizes death to self; the colors mean rebirth. What a powerful Easter message !

"Like the jester, Christ defies custom and scorns crowned heads. Like a wandering troubador he has no place to lay his head. Like the clown in the circus parade, he satirizes existing authority by riding into town replete with regal pageantry when he has no earthly power. Like a minstrel he frequents dinners and parties. At the end he is costumed by his enemies in a mocking caricature of royal paraphernalia." The Feast of Fools

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WERE
YOU
THERE
WHEN
THEY
CRUCIFIED
MY LORD?

Elon College Community Church
of the United Church of Christ
"Living Christ in Today's World"
March 28 , 1997 Seven o'clock in the Evening
Good Friday
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PRELUDE

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

PRAYER OF BLESSING

CHORAL ANTHEM "Where You There?" Spiritual

TOLLING OF THE CHIMES
The Chimes strike 39 Tones reminding us of the lashing of our Savior by the whips of soldiers.

✣**HYMN OF WONDER** "What Wondrous Love?" No. 223

CANDLELIGHT CROSS AND READINGS

JOHN 19: 30B TO 42

CHORAL ANTHEM: "O Savior of the World" Yarrington

THE DARKNESS OF THE TOMB

THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD

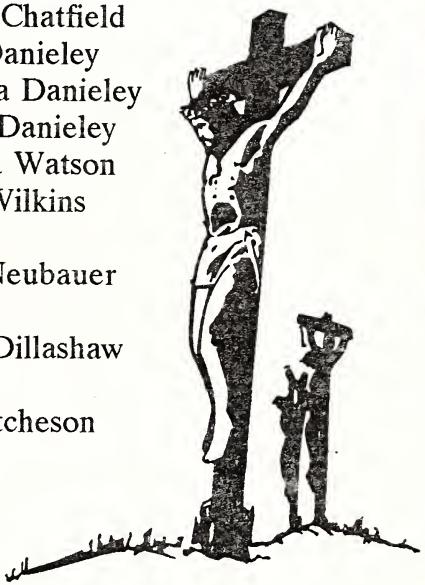
✣**BENEDICTION** Whispered Lord's Prayer
PLEASE DEPART IN SILENCE IN EXPECTATION AND PRAYER

✣**You are Invited to Stand at these moments**

In the Service:

Pastor	Rev. Arch Aitcheson
Readers	David Brown Laura Chatfield Earl Danieley Verona Danieley Heidi Danieley Norma Watson Beth Wilkins
Organist	Rich Neubauer
Pianist	Betty Dillashaw
Choral Director	Liz Aitcheson

Members of the Chancel Choir



Sunrise Service (Elon Homes Chapel Yard) 6:45 AM
Easter Worship 11 AM



The Seven Last Words

FATHER, FORGIVE THEM; FOR THEY KNOW NOT WHAT THEY DO.

VERILY I SAY UNTO THEE, TODAY SHALT THOU BE WITH ME IN PARADISE.

WOMAN, BEHOLD THY SON! BEHOLD THY MOTHER!

MY GOD, MY GOD, WHY HAST THOU FORSAKEN ME?

I THIRST.

IT IS FINISHED.

FATHER, INTO THY HANDS I COMMEND MY SPIRIT.

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My
Redeemer
Lives!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Community Easter Sunrise Service
Elon Homes for Children
Elon College, North Carolina
March 30, 1997
6:45 a.m.



FELLOWSHIP SINGING

CALL TO WORSHIP Rev. Arch Aitcheson

Leader: Alleluia! Christ is Risen!
People: Christ is Risen, indeed!
Leader: Let all people rejoice in the Good News;
People: Let all people worship the God who redeems us
Leader: Alleluia! The new day begins!
People: Alleluia! Our Savior Lives!

HYMN "Christ the Lord is Risen Today!" Wesley
(see the song sheet for words and music)

EASTER INVOCATION Rev. Raymond Hargrove

THE EASTER STORY Mark 16: 1 - 8 NRSV

HYMN "Low in the Grave He Lay" Lowry

AN EASTER READING
"More than a Sunrise and a Promise!"

PASTORS' EASTER REFLECTIONS

Rev. Hargrove, Pastor Snyder Campus
Elon Homes for Children
Rev. Aitcheson, Pastor and Teacher
Elon College Community Church

EASTER PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

(Trespasses . . .)

HYMN "In the Bulb There is A Flower" Sleeth

PASSING OF EASTER PEACE

Person 1: The Peace of the Risen Christ be with you!
Person 2: And also with you!

BENEDICTION

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You are all cordially invited for Hot Coffee, Tea or Cocoa and some breakfast treats in Johnston Hall following the worship. Filled with Easter Joy let us fellowship together!

For as the earth
rings forth its
hoots, and as a
arden causes what
sown in it to spring up,
the Lord GOD will cause
ghteousness and praise
spring forth before all the
ations.

Isaiah 61:11 RSV



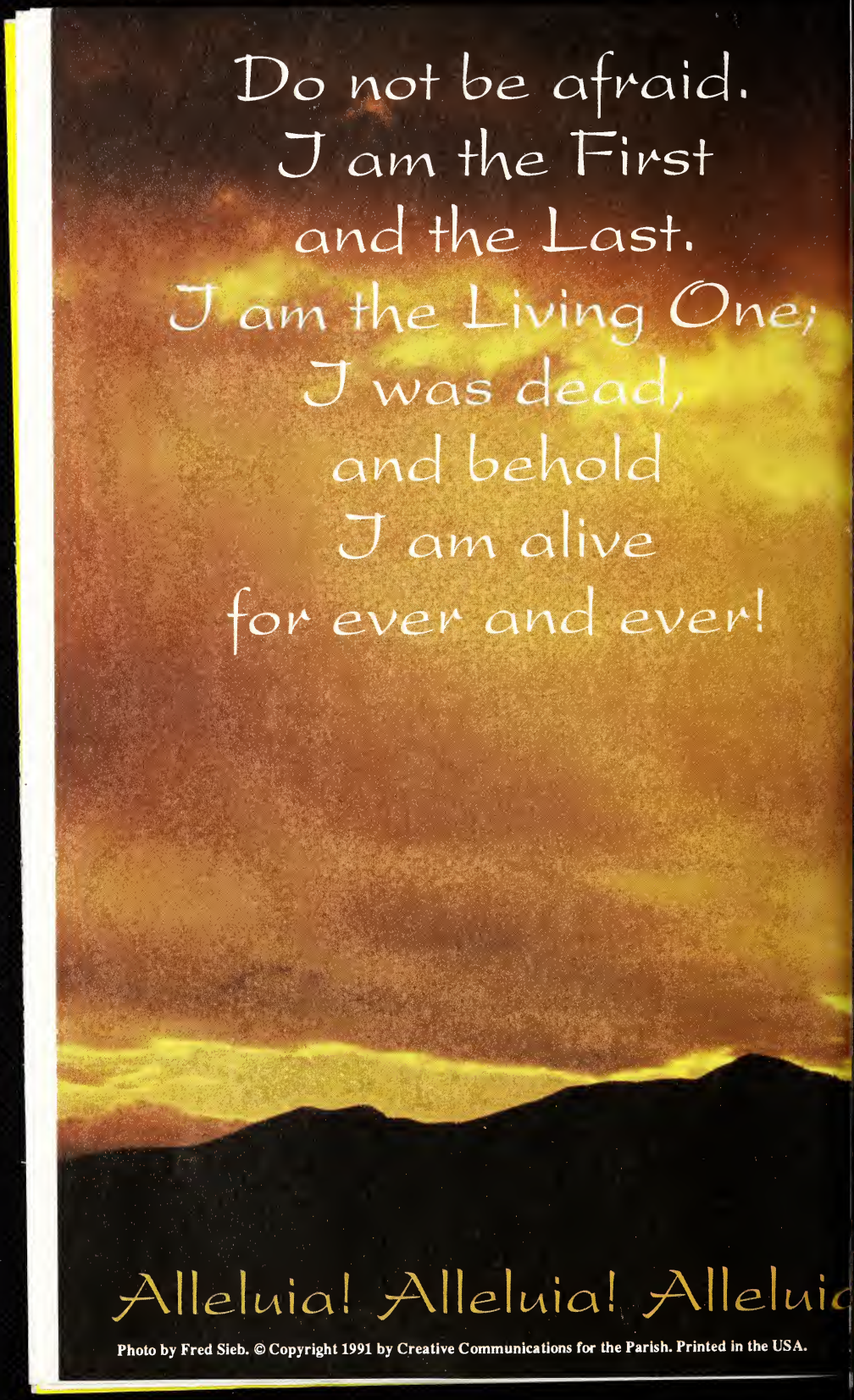
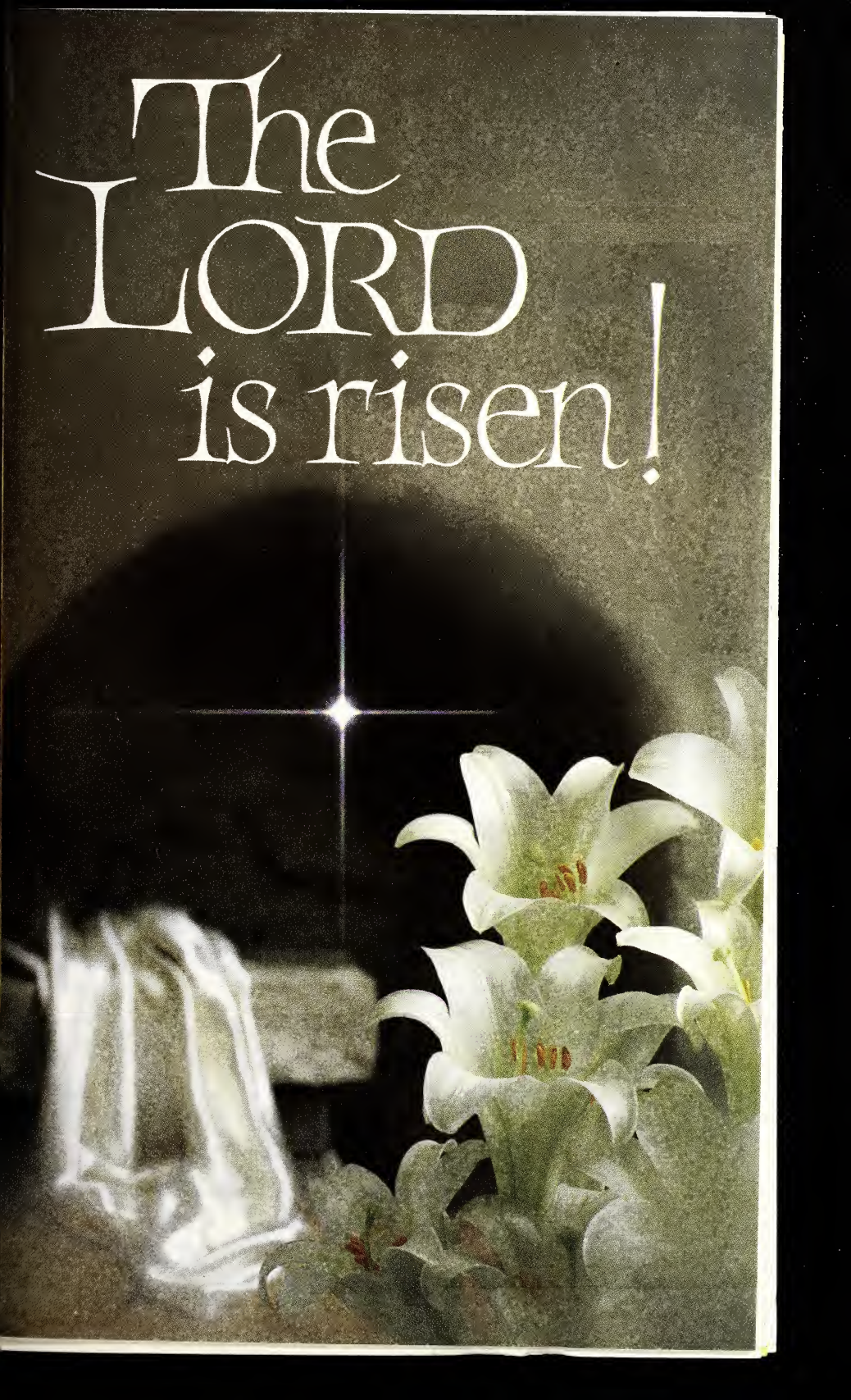


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The LORD is risen!



Elon College Community Church
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"Living Christ in Today's World"
March 30, 1997 Eleven o'clock in the Morning
Easter Sunday

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PRELUDE "A Festive Rondo" Helman
"Peal of Praise" Helman
Handbells by the Chancel Ringers II

WORSHIP GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRANSITION TO WORSHIP

INTROIT "Easter Carol" Martin Dicke

✣ **HYMN** **"Christ the Lord is Risen Today"** **No. 233**

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

Liturgist: Bill Blanchard
Gospel Lesson: John 20: 1 - 18 Page112 NT Pew Bible
Collect and Lighting of the Christ Candle

SERVICE OF FORGIVENESS

Call to Confession
Personal Prayer (pray in silence . . .)
Community Prayer of Confession:

UNISON: God of Easter Sunrises, empty tombs and unconditional love, open our lives to the Good News of your mercy as we come in this time of confession. Remind us of the sacrifice of the cross. Assure us of the forgiveness offered in the Living Christ. Remind us of the empty tomb. Teach us of the freedom the Risen Christ offers us! Raise us up through repentance and grace above the depths of our sinfulness and above death's darkness. Nurture us by Easter's Good News so that we might grow in faith and love. For we ask it in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Teacher. Amen.

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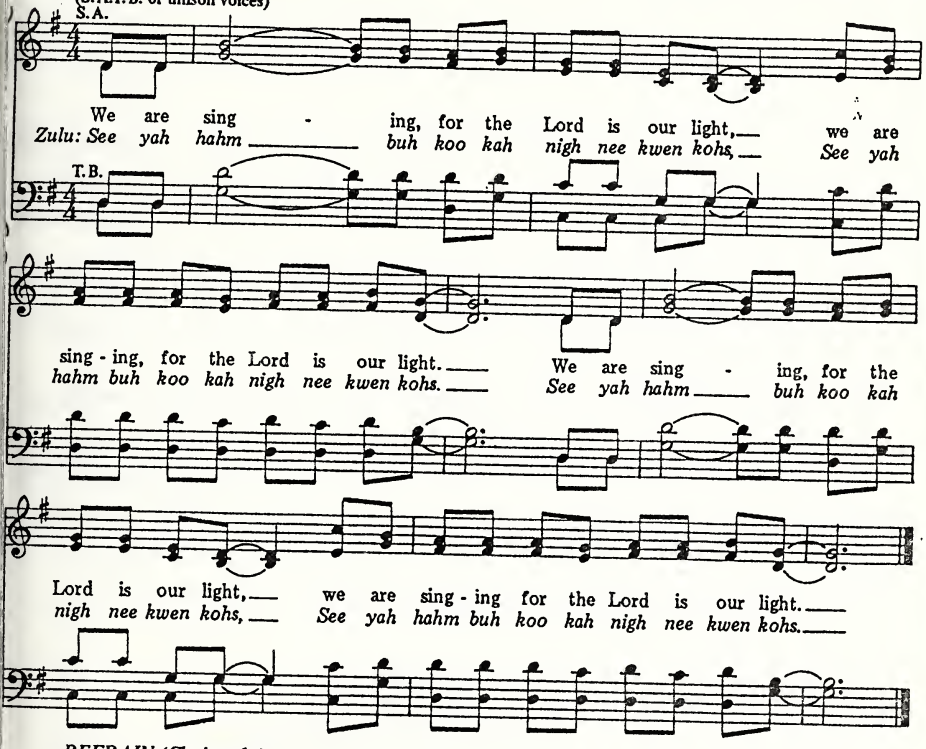
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HAL H. HOPSON
Based on Psalm 27:1-4

CONGREGATIONAL PART

Zulu Traditional Song
Arranged by HAL H. HOPSON

REFRAIN
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REFRAIN (Choir only)

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Though foes may be near to destroy;
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Our feet are lifted high,
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We walk in the strength of the Lord,
God's love is ever sure.
We shout that the world may hear,
we sing a joyful song.

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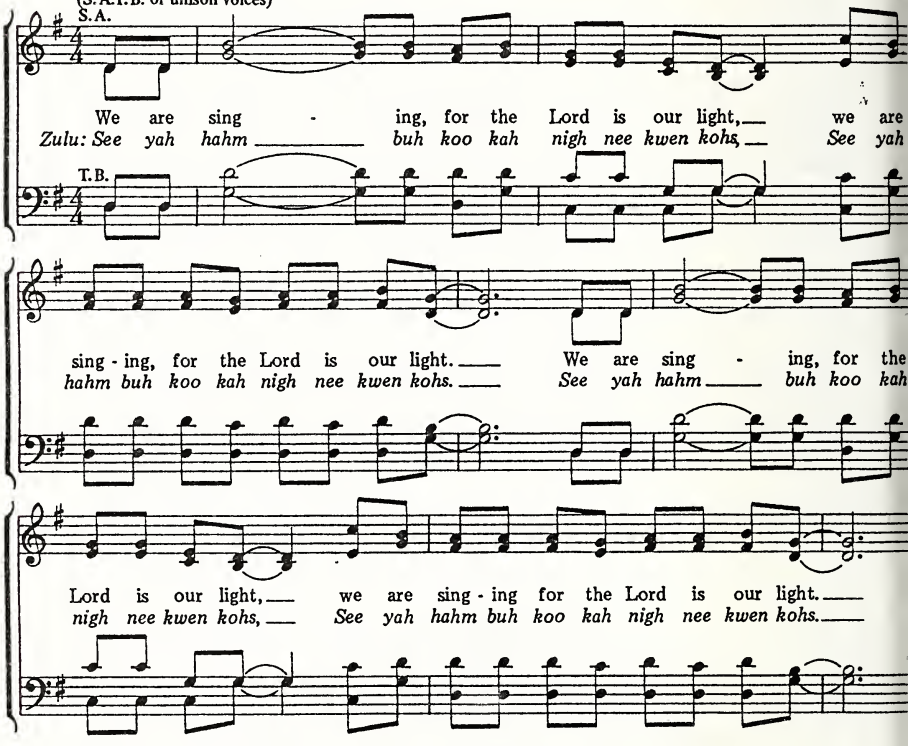
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AYING OF THE CHIMES

THEM **"We Are Singing for the Lord is Our Light"** **Hopson**
Chancel Choir and Congregation (see insert)

RVICE OF THANKSGIVING

ıe Call to Give
ffertory Hymn "The Day of Resurrection" **No. 245**
)oxology and Presentation of Gifts
)ffertory Prayer of Dedication

ILDREN'S TIME **"What's The Fuss All About? "**
dren in grade 2 and below are invited to attend the second hour ;ram downstairs or remain as parents wish.

RMON **"The Ultimate Sign of Love! "** **Arch Aitcheson, Pastor**

STORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

ORAL PRAYER RESPONSE
Cast Thy Burden On the Lord!" Mendelssohn

YMN "Jesus Christ is Risen Today!" No. 240

NEDICTION

ORAL BLESSING "Alleluia!"

OSTLUDE "Trumpet Voluntary" Clarke

✣You are Invited to Stand at these moments

Prayer List for the Week

ie Hayes	Carey Andes	Jane McNaney	Ernie McLelland
ene Spoida	Emiline Wayne	Robert Timms	Dawn Shepherd
ıcy Welborn	Ruth Marlowe	Dr. J.R. Kernodle	Lorrain Linton
ie Dudziec	Jules Spach	Anne Pope	Doug Wood
an Cummings	Julius Rice		

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WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY, March 30, 1997
6:45 a.m. Easter Sunrise Service
9:45 a.m. Sunday School/11:00 a.m. Worship

MONDAY, March 31, 1997
Church Office Closed

TUESDAY, April 1, 1997
10:30 a.m. Church Staff Meeting - Library

WEDNESDAY, April 2, 1997
4:00 p.m. Catholic Fellowship
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal
8:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous

THURSDAY, April 3,1997
No Breakfast Bible Study
No Terrific Thursday
7:30 p.m. Elon College Habitat Supper
7:00 p.m. Nouwen Study

FRIDAY, April 4, 1997
6:45 - 9:00 p.m. Special Fridays
7:30 p.m. Shelter Meal - Evangelism Board

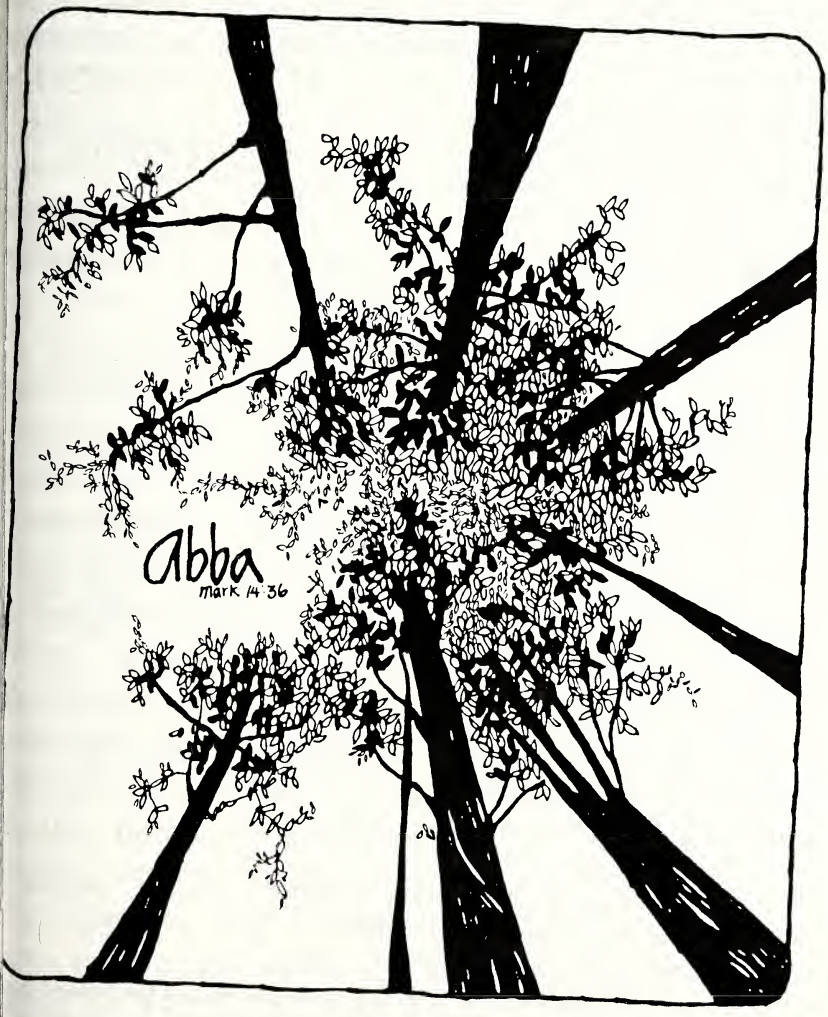
NEXT SUNDAY!
6:30 p.m. CHURCH NIGHT MEETING
8:15 p.m. Church Council Meeting

The flowers are placed on the altar and to the glory o God to honor members of our congregation and in memory of their loved ones which have died in 1997 by Jane S. Miller and Travis Pate.

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. . . God is light and in God there is no darkness at all . . . . walk in the light as God is in the light!

1 John 1: 5-7

Elon College Community Church
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"Living Christ in Today's World"
April 6, 1997 Eleven o'clock in the Morning
Second Sunday of Eastertide

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PRELUDE "All Hail the Power of Jesus Name"

WORSHIP GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRANSITION TO WORSHIP

INTROIT "Easter Carol" Martin Dicke

✣ **HYMN** **"Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain"** **No. 230**

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

Liturgist: Melodie Allshouse

Gospel Lesson: 1 John 1:1 to 2:2 Page 234 NT Pew Bible

Collect and Lighting of the Christ Candle

SERVICE OF FORGIVENESS

Call to Confession

Personal Prayer (pray in silence . . .)

Community Prayer of Confession Hymnal Page No. 834

Words of Assurance

✣ Gloria Patri (Traditional words) tune No. 759

✣The Statement of Faith No. 885

✣Passing of the Peace

L: The Peace of Christ be with you;

P: And also with you.

(Extend the hand of peace to those seated near you...)

PLAYING OF THE CHIMES

SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING

The Call to Give

Offertory Hymn "Jesus, Sovereign Savior" **No. 255**

✣**Doxology and Presentation of Gifts**

✣Offertory Prayer of Dedication

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COMMUNION MEDITATION

"Walking in the Light!" **Arch Aitcheson, Pastor & Teacher**

rocheted afgan - Murder Mystery Dinner Party for ight - a week at the shore in a member's cottage - **a tenciled border in a room in your home** - a ersonalized poem for a special occasion - *a framed srael Museum print* - 2 tickets to a Giants game with ıe host providing transportation and a tailgate party - a veekend at a Bed and Breakfast - **Two hours of leaf aking** - two songs to be sung at a wedding - *dog sitting* 5 guitar lessons - Sunday evening supper for 20 - rides) the airport - local transportation - watecolor pictures - abysitting - lamp rewiring - **handmade angel** - hristmas apron - *needlepoint pillow* - loaf of bread - ıdge - made to order deep-dish cranberry apple pie - itchen clock - VCR (with someone to program it and :ach you how) - **thatched bird house** - gift certificates) a local restaurant - a dozen golf balls - *cross stitch illow* - tutoring for your child in math - **two hours of an lectrician's labor** - hand knitted sweaters - *Summer asta dinner* - "Game Night Basket" (Scategories game, bottles of wine, cheeses and crackers and dessert xings - **ballet tickets** - porcelain doll - *wooden doll* adles - basket of silk flowers - handmade quilted hristmas tree skirt - Supply and plant two dozen tulip ılbs in your yard - **tickets to a hockey game** - lasagna nner for 8 - padded photo album - batch of homemade oll House cookies - *lawn mowing or other yard work*

Item(s)/Service(s) I would like to donate

Item/Service 1 Hershey bar cake / please give 1 week notice - not available in December

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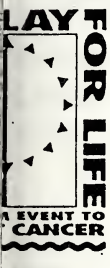
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AC/ETC Gifts:
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THE RELAY EXPRESS!

Dear Friends:

The Relay for Life Cancer Walk will be April 25 -26 this year. I recently heard about the walk at work. Although, I am not a cancer survivor, my life has been affected by cancer. My mother died of a brain tumor in Feb. 1989, and my best friend from high school had a sixteen year son die of bone cancer. I will be walking in memory of my mother and my friend's son as well as in honor of church members who are cancer survivors.

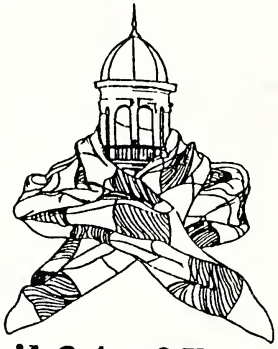
I need your support to make my first walk a success. My goal is to raise $2,000 for the American Cancer Society. If I obtain this goal I will receive a 20" Color TV with remote, which I will donate to the youth room. Please make out a check to American Cancer Society and either mail it to me at 1637 Regency Drive, Burlington, NC 27215, and give it to me in church. I will need to turn the money in before I walk on April 25.

If anyone is interested in joining me as a walk, I would be glad to have you on my team. I am a team leader for a LabCorp team. At present we have only three team members and would like at least seven more. Please call me at 584-2683 for any additional information.

Thank you for your support

Ann Acquilano

The NAMES Project
AIDS *Memorial Quilt*



April 24 - 27 1997

Alumni Gym - Elon College, NC

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THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Please follow SERVICE A beginning with the Lord's Prayer on page 16

Ushers will guide members to the chancel for communion. The method we use is inticture. Please take a piece of bread, dip it into the chalice and return to your pew by the side aisles.

Communion: Anthem: "In My Name" **Bob Burroughs**

✣**HYMN** "Alleluia, Gracious Savior!" No. 257

BENEDICTION

CHORAL BLESSING "Alleluia!"

✣**POSTLUDE** "Improvisation on Diademata"

✣**You are Invited to Stand at these moments**

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6:00 p.m. Chancel Ringers I
6:30 p.m. Catholic Mass
7:00 p.m. Chancel Ringers II

MONDAY, April 7, 1997

10:30 a.m. Circle 1 - Library
7:00 p.m. Cub Scouts
Stephens Ministry Training
7:30 p.m. Circle 2 - home of Gertrude Liscum

TUESDAY, April 8, 1997

10:30 a.m. Church Staff Meeting - Library
7:30 p.m. Circle 3 - Library

WEDNESDAY, April 9, 1997

4:00 p.m. Catholic Fellowship
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal
8:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous

THURSDAY, April 10,1997

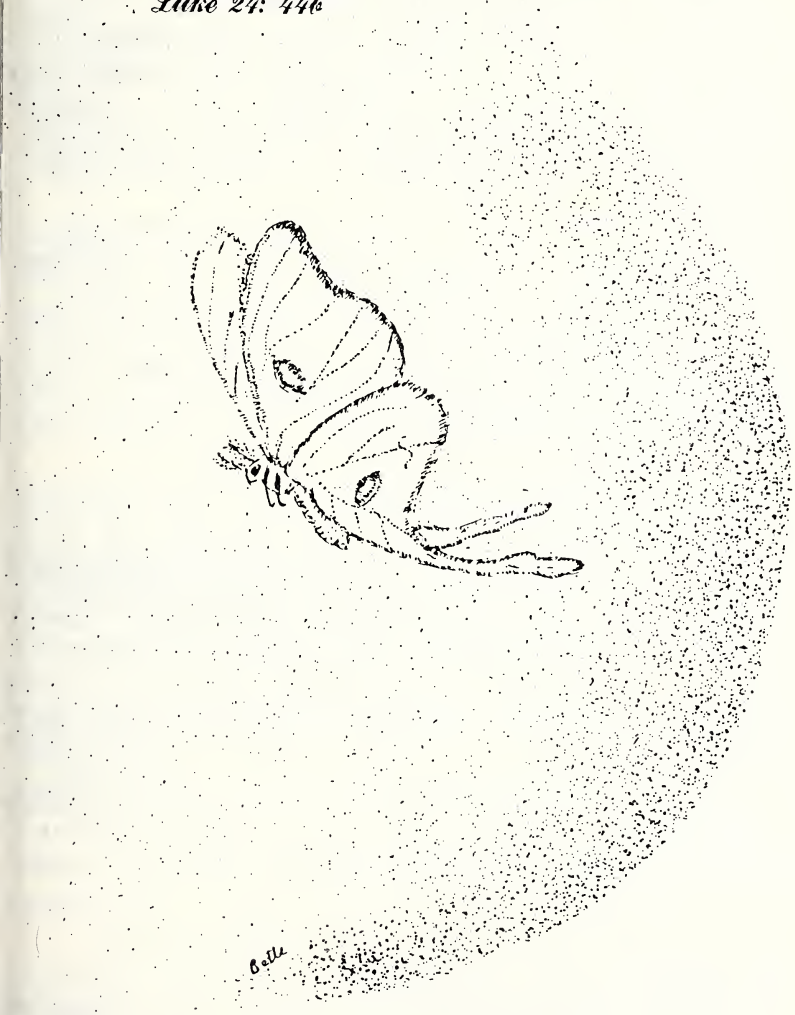
7:30 a.m. Breakfast Club Bible Study
3:45 p.m. Terrific Thursday
6:15-8:00 p.m. Spaghetti Supper for Habitat served by Elon College Students - A plate is $3.00 + Donation.
7:00 p.m. Nouwen Study

FRIDAY, April 11, 1997

Stephens Ministry Retreat through Sunday, April 13, 1997.

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Griswold, Mr. and Mrs. N. P. Bryant, and Paul Bryant by Nora Griswold, Olga Griswold, and Patsy Oliver.

verything Written about me in the Law of Moses,
the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled!
Luke 24: 44b



"Living Christ in Today's World!"

Morning Worship at

Elon College Community Church

Elon College Community Church
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"Living Christ in Today's World"
April 13, 1997 Eleven o'clock in the Morning

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PRELUDE "Grace Greater Than Our Sin" Towner

WORSHIP GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRANSITION TO WORSHIP

INTROIT "Easter Carol" Martin Dicke

✣ **HYMN** "Listen to Your Savior's Call" No. 250

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

Liturgist: Mike Gregory

Gospel Lesson: Luke 24 36b-48 Page 89 NT Pew Bible

Collect and Lighting of the Christ Candle

SERVICE OF FORGIVENESS

Call to Confession

Personal Prayer (pray in silence . . .)

Community Prayer of Confession

UNISON: GOD OF MERCY, FORGIVE OUR FOOLISH WAYS. CHANGE OUR SELFISH ATTITUDES. CHALLENGE THE METHODS WE USE TO CREATE INJUSTICE IN OUR WORLD. TURN US AROUND THAT WE MIGHT LIVE AS CHRIST TAUGHT. FORGIVE THE SINFUL WORDS WE HAVE SPOKEN. FORGIVE OUR SINFUL DEEDS. LOVE US INTO YOUR GRACE AND RIGHTEOUSNESS IN JESUS CHRIST, OUR LORD. AMEN.

Words of Assurance

✣ Gloria Patri (Traditional words) tune No. 759

✣Passing of the Peace

L: The Peace of Christ be with you;

P: And also with you.

(Extend the hand of peace to those seated near you...)

PLAYING OF THE CHIMES

ANTHEM "I Sing the Mighty Power of God" Broughton

SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING

The Call to Give

Offertory Hymn "Savior Like A Shepherd" **No. 252**

✣**Doxology and Presentation of Gifts**

✣Offertory Prayer of Dedication

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THE RELAY EXPRES

Dear Friends:

The Relay for Life Cancer Walk will be April 25-26 this year. Although I am not a cancer survivor my life has been affected by cancer. My mother died of a brain tumor in Feb. 1989, and my best friend from high school had a sixteen year old son die of bone cancer. I will be walking in memory of my mother and my friend's son as well as in honor of church members who are cancer survivors.

I need your support to make my first walk a success. My goal is to raise $2000 for the American Cancer Society. If I obtain this goal I wi receive a 20" Color TV with remote, which I will donate to the youth room. Please make out a check to American Cancer Society and either mail it to me at 1537 Regency Drive, Burlington, NC 27215, or give it to me in church. I will need to turn the money in before I walk on April 25.

I now have nine members on my team. I have collected almost $20 so far. Thank you so much for your support. Please call me at 584-2683 for additional information.

Thank you for your support

Ann Acquilano

Ann Acquilano

CHILDREN'S TIME

Children in grade 2 and below are invited to attend the second hour program downstairs or remain for Holy Communion as parents wish.

SERMON "Completion . . . " **Arch Aitcheson, Pastor & Teacher**

COMMUNITY PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Prayer Response: "Cast Thy Burden Upon the Lord"

✣**HYMN** "Hail, the Day That Sees Christ Rise" No. 260

BENEDICTION

CHORAL BLESSING "Alleluia!"

✣**POSTLUDE** "Bless Thou the Lord" Handel

✣You are Invited to Stand at these moments

Prayer List for the Week

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Susan Cummings	Julius Rice	Allison Meincke	Frances Shoemaker
Marie Laughter	Julie Fowler	Debbie Huff	

To add your loved one to the prayer chain call 584-0391

☺ Greeters today are Norma Watson and Laura Chatfield

☺ Our Acolytes today David Brown and Jeff Wilkins

Nursery for Today: Verona and Earl Danieley

Next Week: Elizabeth Mayse and Pearl McLelland

Second Hour Child Care for Today: Jimma and Chris Causey

Next Week: Meg Wilkins

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153	$4,428.99	$ 4,500.00 /week

AC/ETC Gifts: $388.00

The Church Staff

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Dr. William J. Andes,	**Pastor Emeritus**
Ms. Rebecca Peeler,	**Director of Christian Education**
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WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY, April 13, 1997
9:45 a.m. Sunday School/11:00 a.m. Worship
2:30 p.m. CROP Walk
5:00 pm. Chancel Ringers II
6:30 p.m. Church Night
Catholic Mass
8:15 p.m. Church Council Mtg.

MONDAY, April 14,1997
7:00 p.m. Cub Scouts

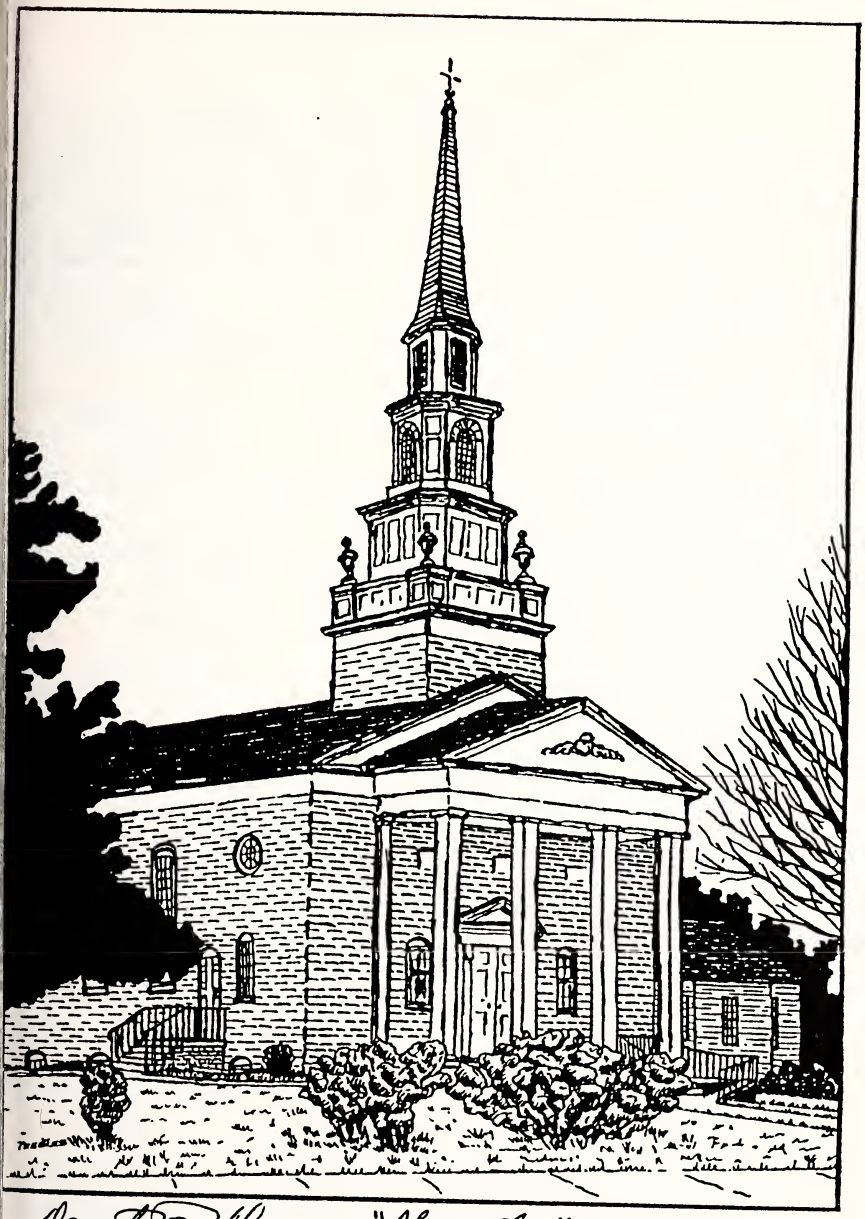
TUESDAY, April 15, 1997
10:30 a.m. Church Staff Meeting - Library

WEDNESDAY, April 16, 1997
4:00 p.m. Catholic Fellowship
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal
8:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous

THURSDAY, April 17,1997
7:30 a.m. Breakfast Club Bible Study
3:45 p.m. Terrific Thursday

SATURDAY, April 19, 1997
Pack Family Camping Trip - return Sunday

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in honor of the medical team of Healing the Children Midlantic who are going to La Romana, Domincan Republic this week.



Dorothy R. Dibbs "Above Elon"

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Elon College, North Carolina
"Living Christ in Today's World!"

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PRELUDE "Ashokan Farewell" Ungar

WORSHIP GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRANSITION TO WORSHIP

INTROIT "Easter Carol" Martin Dicke

✣ **HYMN** "Yours is the Glory" No. 253

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

Liturgist: Bill Linde

Epistle Lesson: I John 3:16-24 Page 235-236 NT Pew Bible

Collect and Lighting of the Christ Candle

SERVICE OF FORGIVENESS

Call to Confession

Personal Prayer (pray in silence . . .)

Community Prayer of Confession

UNISON: IT IS SO DIFFICULT TO LOVE ONE ANOTHER, GOD. WE SEE EACH OTHER'S IMPERFECTIONS. WE ARE WITNESSES TO EACH OTHER'S CRUELTY. WE HURT ONE ANOTHER BY WORDS AND DEED. SOME ARE DIFFICULT TO LOVE!

REMIND US, GOD, THAT WE ARE LIKE THOSE OTHERS WE LABEL AS SINNERS. REMIND US THAT WE ARE IMPERFECT AND CRUEL. FORGIVE US AND RENEW US BY THE LOVE AND GRACE YOU OFFER, NEVERTHELESS, IN JESUS CHRIST. AMEN.

Words of Assurance

✣ Gloria Patri (Traditional words tune No. 75

✣Passing of the Peace

L: The Peace of Christ be with you;

P: And also with you.

(Extend the hand of peace to those seated near you...)

PLAYING OF THE CHIMES

ANTHEM "All Good gifts " Natalie Sleeth

SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING

The Call to Give

Offertory Hymn "I Love to Tell the Story" No. 522

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✣**Doxology and Presentation of Gifts**

✣Offertory Prayer of Dedication

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SERMON

Barry Raker, Guest Minister

COMMUNITY PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Prayer Response: "Cast Thy Burden Upon the Lord"

✣**HYMN** "Spirit of God" vs. 1,4 & 5 No. 290

BENEDICTION

CHORAL BLESSING "Alleluia!"

✣**POSTLUDE** "Trust in Jesus" Kirkpatrick

✣You are Invited to Stand at these moments

Prayer List for the Week

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Helene Spoida	Emiline Wayne	Robert Timms	Dawn Shepherd
Nancy Welborn	Ruth Marlowe	Lorrain Linton	Katie Dudziec
Jules Spach	Anne Pope	Doug Wood	Susan Cummings
Julius Rice	Allison Meincke	Delmas Hancock	Frances Shoemaker
Marie Laughter	Julie Thayler	Kenneth Hall	Madge Brannock

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Greeters today are The Wilkins Family.

Our Acolytes today are Jessica Horner and Megan Brown.

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133	$ 8,813.00	$ 4,500.00 /week
	AC/ETC Gifts: $775.00	

The Church Staff

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Dr. William J. Andes,	Pastor Emeritu
Ms. Rebecca Peeler,	Director of Christian Educatio
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WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY, April 20, 1997

9:45 a.m. Sunday School/11:00 a.m. Worship
12:15 p.m. Bible Mentor Event
1:30 p.m. Youth Fellowship
4:30 p.m. New Adult Sunday School Class Mtg. - Parish House
5:00 p.m. Grief Support Network
6:00 pm. Chancel Ringers I
6:30 p.m. Catholic Mass
7:00 p.m. Chancel Ringers II

MONDAY, April 21,1997

12:00 Noon - TORCH DEADLINE
7:00 p.m. Cub Scouts
7:00 p.m. Stephens Ministry

TUESDAY, April 22, 1997

10:30 a.m. Church Staff Meeting - Library
12:00 p.m. Lunch Bunch - Parish House

WEDNESDAY, April 23, 1997

4:00 p.m. Catholic Fellowship
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal
8:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous

THURSDAY, April 24,1997

3:45 p.m. Terrific Thursday
7:00 p.m. Burlington Area UCC Laymen's Fellowship-
Carolina United Church of Christ

FRIDAY, April 25, 1997

District Camporee for Webelos - return on Saturday

SATURDAY, April 26, 1997

10:00 a.m. Youth Carwash

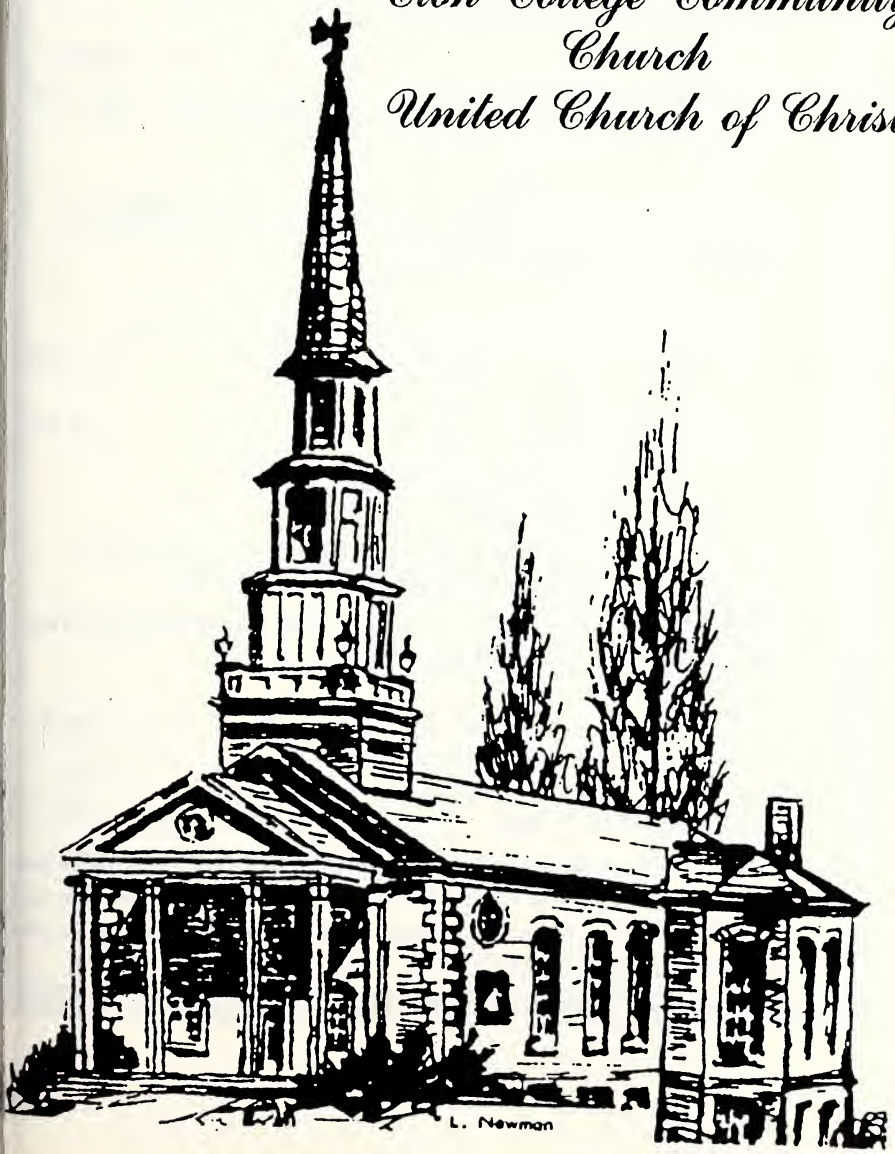
The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory Mr. and Mrs. Archie I. Braxton by Bill and Carolyn Gabriel and Mike and Deanna Avent.

If there is an emergency this week while the Pastor is away, ca the church office during the day, and evenings call Mrs. Veron Danieley,who is the Deacon-on-Call at 584-0646.

"Living Christ in Today's World!"

Morning Worship at

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United Church of Christ



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"Living Christ in Today's World"
April 27, 1997 Eleven o'clock in the Morning

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TODAY'S SPECIAL

The Youth Fellowship Presents:

Le Grande Chateau

An evening of dining and entertainment

May 17, 1997

Bring the entire family or groups of friends

SEATING BY RESERVATION ONLY

6:30 pm

CALL: 584-0391 by May 5

COST: $10.00 Adults

$ 5.00 Children

Maximum $25.00 per household

This event is sponsored by our Youth and the proceeds will help defray cost for Summer trip.

Name:_____

No._____

Child care Needed: Yes:____ No:_____

✣**HYMN** "I Am Yours, O God" No. 455

BENEDICTION

CHORAL BLESSING "Amen"

✣**POSTLUDE** "Duke Street" Hatton

✣**You are Invited to Stand at these moments**

Prayer List for the Week

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Helene Spoida	Robert Timms	Dawn Shepherd	Nancy Welborn
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WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY, April 27, 1997
9:45 a.m. Sunday School/11:00 a.m. Worship
1:30 p.m. Youth Fellowship
6:00 pm. Chancel Ringers I
6:30 p.m. Catholic Mass
7:00 p.m. Chancel Ringers II

MONDAY, April 28,1997
7:00 p.m. Cub Scouts Pack Meeting
7:00 p.m. Stephens Ministry

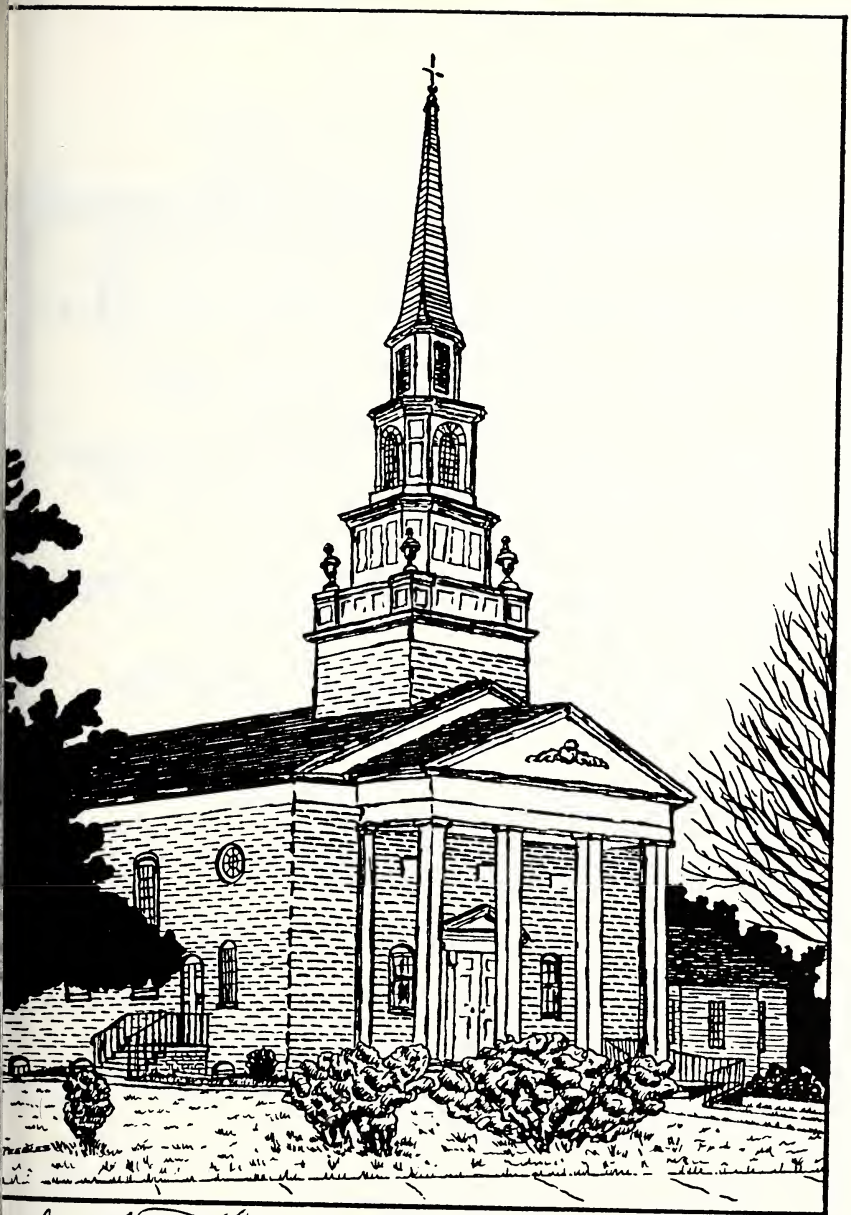
TUESDAY, April 29, 1997
10:30 a.m. Church Staff Meeting - Library

WEDNESDAY, April 30, 1997
4:00 p.m. Catholic Fellowship
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal
8:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous

THURSDAY, May 1,1997
7:30 a.m. Breakfast Club Bible Study
3:45 p.m. Terrific Thursday
7:00 p.m. Fun/Fund Raising Comm. Mtg.

FRIDAY, May 2, 1997
7:00 p.m. Special Fridays
7:45 p.m. Shelter Meal - CE Board

The altar flowers are given by Dick and Jane Rinker to the glory of God and in honor of the marriage of Sharon Rinker and Joey Johnson, which took place yesterday in Greensboro.



Darcy R. Dibbles "Above Elon"

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Elon College, North Carolina
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May 4, 1997 Eleven o'clock in the Morning
Sixth Sunday of Easter

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PRELUDE Chancel Ringers I music arr. M.L. Thompson
Come Christians Join to Sing ♬♬ All Night, All Day
♬ Praise the Lord the Heavens Adore Him ♬

WORSHIP GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRANSITION TO WORSHIP

INTROIT "Let Us With a Joyful Mind"

✤ **HYMN** **"As We Gather At Your Table"** **No. 332**

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

Liturgist: Tom Conally
Gospel Lesson: John 15:9-17 Page 107 NT Pew Bible
Collect and Lighting of the Christ Candle
Statement of Faith No. 885 (back of the Hymnal)

SERVICE OF FORGIVENESS

Call to Confession
Personal Prayer (pray in silence . . .)
Prayer for Justice: No. 863 (back of Hymnal)
Words of Assurance
✣ Gloria Patri (Traditional words) tune No. 759
✣Passing of the Peace
L: The Peace of Christ be with you;
P: And also with you.
(Extend the hand of peace to those seated near you...)

PLAYING OF THE CHIMES

SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING

The Call to Give
Offertory Hymn "Jesus Took the Bread" **No. 343**
✣**Doxology and Presentation of Gifts**
✣Offertory Prayer of Dedication

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MEDITATION **"Living the Way of God's Love" Arch Aitcheson**

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Living Christ Today!

GOD WORKS IN A THRIFT STORE!

Everything the NEW TO YOU THRIFT STORE does is for the good of children. If that's not God's work, what is? Established by the Elon Homes for Children, we work to feed, clothe and nurture abused and neglected adolescents. We need clothing, furniture, toys, housewares - anything you can bear to part with. Whether you shop with us,donate to us, or volunteer with us, you're helping God work through our Thrift Store!

New to You Thrift Store
1313 W. Webb Avenue
Burlington, NC
910-513-0002

STORE HOURS
Tuesday to Saturday
9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation and Prayer of Consecration

Sharing the Feast

Ushers will guide the congregation for Communion. Please take the bread, dip it into the chalice and partake of the morsel as you return to your pew.

Communion Anthem

Psalm 84 Solos by Jessie Balon & Jamie Fitzgerald

Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer

✣HYMN "I Come With Joy!" vs. 1,3 & 5 No. 349

BENEDICTION

CHORAL AMEN "Amen"

✣POSTLUDE "Trubo" Weissel

✣You are Invited to Stand at these moments

Prayer List for the Week

Lanie Hayes	Carey Andes	Jane McNaney	Ernie McLelland
Nancy Welborn	Bonnie Ferrara	Bill Rippy	Ada Miller
Robert Timms	Dawn Shepherd	Katie Dudziec	Jules Spach
Allison Meincke	Lorrain Linton	Susan Cummings	Marie Laughter
Anne Pope	Doug Wood	Julie Thayler	Delmas Hancock

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- Greeters today are The Linde Family.
- Our Acolytes today are Rebecca Perry and Susan Heinzerling
- There will be a Congregational meeting at noon, Sunday, May 11, 1997 to vote on changes in the church constitution.
- Bill Rippy wishes to thank everyone for prayers, cards, and flowers.
- **Exam Time:** Bring the goodies for the exam bags...collection boxes in narthex and near church office.

Church Family Statistics

Attendance Last Sunday	Offering	Offering Needed
137	$ 2,820.94	$ 4,500.00 /week

AC/ETC Gifts:
$508.00

Have you brought your pledge up to date?
Are you doing your part in the day to day mission of our Church?

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6:30 p.m. Catholic Mass
7:00 p.m. Chancel Ringers II

MONDAY, May 5,1997

10:30 a.m. Circle 1- Library
7:00 p.m. Cub Scouts
7:30 p.m. Circle 2 - home of Ethel Oakley

TUESDAY, May 6, 1997

10:30 a.m. Church Staff Meeting - Library
2:30 p.m. Circle 3 - Library

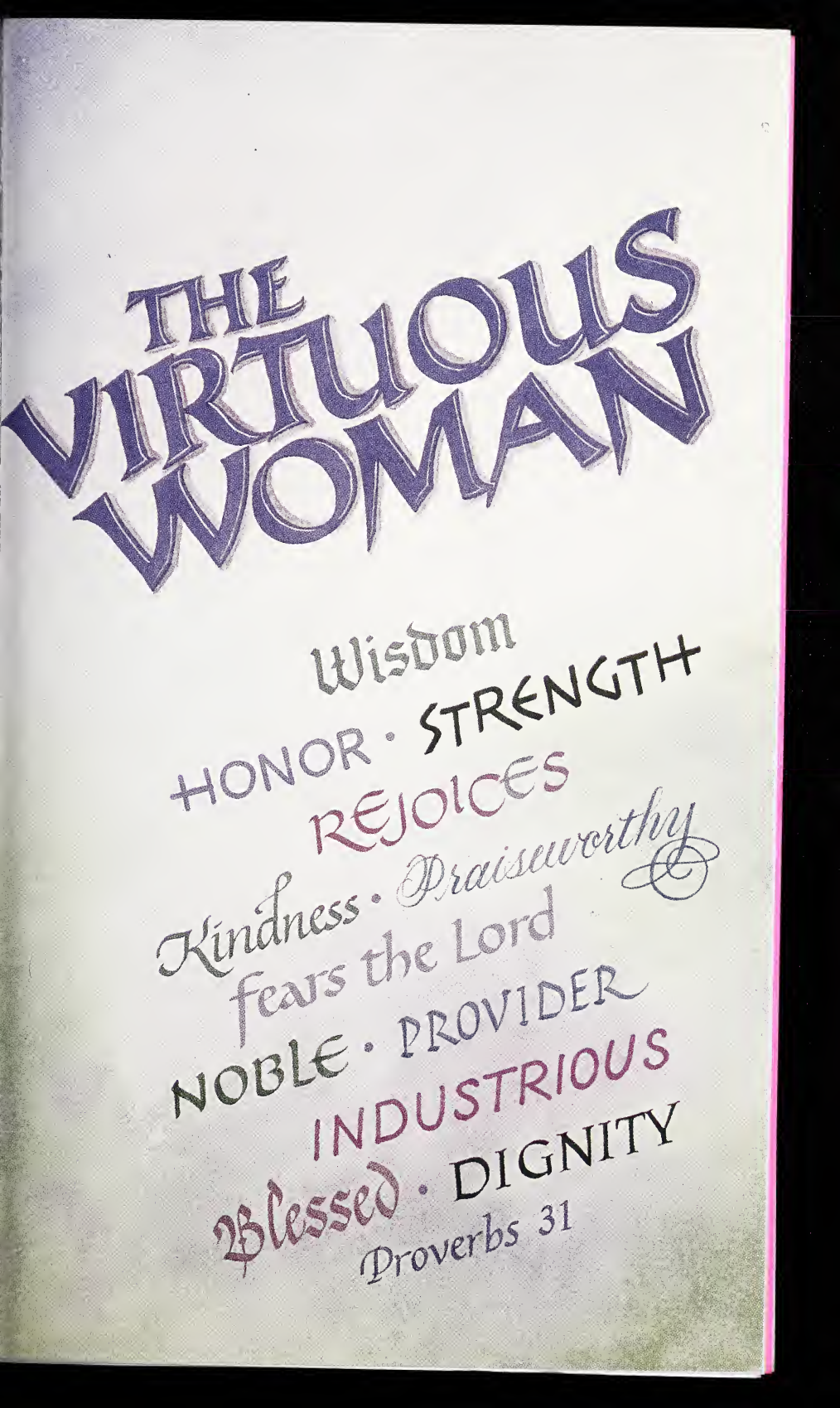
WEDNESDAY, May 7, 1997

4:30 p.m. Catholic Fellowship
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal
8:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous

THURSDAY, May 8,1997

7:30 a.m. Breakfast Club Bible Study
3:45 p.m. Terrific Thursday
7:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry Training

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of their parents and beloved son, Martin Edward Shotzberger by Martin and Edith Shotzberger.


THE VIRTUOUS WOMAN
Wisdom
HONOR · STRENGTH
REJOICES
Kindness · Praiseworthy
fears the Lord
NOBLE · PROVIDER
INDUSTRIOUS
Blessed · DIGNITY
Proverbs 31

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PRELUDE "This is My Father's World" Michael Helman
"Antiphonal Praise" David Donathan
Chancel Ringers II

WORSHIP GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRANSITION TO WORSHIP

INTROIT "In the Bulb There Is a Flower" N. Sleeth
Terrific Thursday Choir

✣ **HYMN** "When Love is Found" No. 362

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

Liturgist: Ann Acquilano
Gospel Lesson: John 17:6-19 Page 109 NT Pew Bible
Collect and Lighting of the Christ Candle

SERVICE OF FORGIVENESS

Call to Confession
Personal Prayer (pray in silence . . .)
Community Prayer of Confession No. 850
Words of Assurance
✣Passing of the Peace
L: The Peace of Christ be with you;
P: And also with you.
(Extend the hand of peace to those seated near you...)
✣ Gloria Patri (Traditional words) tune No. 759

SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING

The Call to Give
Choral Anthem: "Christ Be in Our Loving" Bob Burrough
accompanied by Chancel Ringers II, Betty Dillashaw, Keyboard
✣**Doxology and Presentation of Gifts**
✣Offertory Prayer of Dedication

CHILDREN'S TIME

✣ **HYMN** "O God, Whose Steadfast Love" No. 426

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SERMON "Nurturing Families. . ." **A. Aitcheson, Pastor & Teacher**

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HELP!

The Evangelism Board needs supplies for Student Exam Kits by TUESDAY!

PLEASE BRING TO THE CHURCH OFFICE BY NOON ON TUESDAY ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:

Homebaked cookies/ Hard candies/ Microwave Popcorn/ candy bars/ cracker packs/ pencils/ small bags of chips/ chewing gum/ notepaper/ instant coffee packs/ tea bags/ boxed fruit drinks/ koolaid packs/ postage stamps/ postcards/ bubble gum, etc.

Drivers/Assemblers needed Tue. Afternoon, Too!

Sunday, May 11

Seventh Sunday of Easter, Year B
Festival of the Christian Home
Mother's Day

We earnestly solicit your prayerful support in these concerns. Thank you for your partnership in the great vocation of Christian missions.

The Murchie family--David, Joyce, Maureen, Jori, Sam and Jackie



"Peacemakers" Murchie Family E

About 170 miles north of Tokyo, at Tohoku Gakuin University in Sendai, Japan, Murchie family is engaged in ministry. How do they witness? The Rev. Davi Murchie gives the following thumbnail sketch:

"David: Professor of Christian Studies, Tohoku Gakuin University; leads student study on campus; assists churches through music, speaking, and pulpit supply.

"Joyce: Homemaker; leads neighborhood Bible studies; Sunday School teacher.

"Maureen: Senior, Miyagi Gakuin Senior High School (private Japanese school) Student Council; music (violin, singing); periodic translation assignments for churc school, individuals. She will be attending college in the U.S.

"Jori: Junior, Miyagi Gakuin Senior High School; Student Council; music (singi piano); track (high jump); periodic translation assignments.

"Sam: Senior, Tohoku Gakuin Junior High School; basketball; private study on g periodic translation for individuals.

"Jackie: 4th grade, Katahira Elementary School (public Japanese school); likes running and kickball; private lessons on piano and ballet.

"Special family activities: As a musical group called PEACEMAKERS, with the ultimate goal of telling people about Jesus Christ, we give concerts of Christian and classical music, about 40 concerts per year. At these concerts Maureen plays violin sings, Jori plays keyboard/piano and sings, Sam plays guitar and sings, Jackie sings plays piano, and Dave plays violin, piano, and keyboard and does the arranging of t music.

"It is a tremendous honor to be serving the church of Jesus Christ as his represent and workers in Japan. There are few Christians in Japan (only about 1 percent of th population) and the challenges are formidable. But God has been gracious in worki through many committed Christians in Japan who seek to proclaim their faith in Ch through their words and deeds. As we seek to lead people to faith in Jesus Christ, w look to see individual lives transformed and the working out of this salvation throug ministry to people personally and socially. Pressing concerns include continuing pa of discrimination toward the Korean, Ainu, and Buraku peoples."

The address of the Murchie family is 2-1-38 Komegafukuro, Aoba-ku, Sendai-shi 980, Japan.
E-mail: murchie@tscc.tohoku-gakuin.ac.jp

COMMUNITY PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Prayer Response: "O Grant Us Light"

HYMN "Now Thank We All Our God" No. 419

BENEDICTION

CHORAL BLESSING "Amen"

POSTLUDE "St. Denio" Smith

✣You are Invited to Stand at these moments

Prayer List for the Week

anie Hayes	Carey Andes	Jane McNaney	Robert Timms
awn Shepherd	Nancy Welborn	Ruth Marlowe	Lorrain Linton
atie Dudziec	Anne Pope	Doug Wood	Bertha Phillips
llison Meincke	Marie Laughter	Julie Thayler	Willie Massey

To add your loved one to the prayer chain call 584-0391

Greeters today are the Mayse Family.

Our Acolytes today are Miranda Rich and Nicole Williamson.

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As we celebrate the Christian Home we extend prayers of love d thankfulness for those who are honored today for the nurture, love d faith extended to God's children!

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158	$ 4,569.98	$ 4,500.00 /week

AC/ETC Gifts: $ 500.00

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WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY, May 11, 1997
9:45 a.m. Sunday School/11:00 a.m. Worship
There will be no Youth Fellowship today
6:30 p.m. Church Nite
Catholic Mass

MONDAY, May 12,1997
7:00 p.m. Cub Scouts
Stephen Ministry Training

TUESDAY, May 13, 1997
10:30 a.m. Church Staff Meeting - Library

WEDNESDAY, May 14, 1997
4:30 p.m. Catholic Fellowship
8:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous

THURSDAY, May 15,1997
7:30 a.m. Breakfast Club Bible Study
3:45 p.m. Terrific Thursday
7:00 p.m. Fun/Fundraising Commmittee Mtg.

SATURDAY, May 17, 1997
6:30 p.m. Youth Dinner/Talent Show - Parish House
Scout Trip to Bear Island

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of Andrew and Reggie McLelland by the McLelland family.

Chancel Ringers I and II will not rehearse again until the fall. Enjoy your summer and plan to return to rehearsals this fall.

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There will be a songfest on May 18, 4:00-6:00 p.m. at Union Ridge UCC hosted by the Burlington UCC Ministerium. This will be an event of fun, fellowship and good music involving several UCC churches from our area.

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Sheryl G. Bracey, lettering artist
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"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance."

ACTS II-1:4

Elon College Community Church
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"Living Christ in Today's World"
May 18, 1997 Eleven o'clock in the Morning

PENTECOST SUNDAY

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PRELUDE "He Leadeth Me" Buss

WORSHIP GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRANSITION TO WORSHIP

INTROIT "Let Us With a Joyful Mind"

✤ **HYMN** "Rejoice, You Pure in Heart" No. 55

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

Liturgist: Harvey Hook
Gospel Lesson: Ezekiel 37: 1 - 14 Page 791 OT Pew Bible
Collect and Lighting of the Christ Candle

SERVICE OF FORGIVENESS

Call to Confession
Personal Prayer (pray in silence . . .)
Community Prayer of Confession No. 837
Words of Assurance
✣Passing of the Peace
L: The Peace of Christ be with you;
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✣ Gloria Patri (Traditional words) tune No. 759

SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING

The Call to Give
Choral Anthem: "Come Holy Spirit" Loomis McGlohan
Chancel Choir with Steve Bopp, Soloist
✣**Doxology and Presentation of Gifts**
✣Offertory Prayer of Dedication

CHILDREN'S TIME

✤ **HYMN** "O Spirit of God" No. 60

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EPISTLE LESSON Acts 2:1 - 21 Page 116 NT Pew Bible

SERMON "Alive. . ." **A. Aitcheson, Pastor & Teacher**

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___ 1 adult couple

I would prefer:

___males(youth) ___females(youth)

Sunday, May 18

Pentecost Sunday, Year B
Strengthen the Church All-Church Offering



Dear God, thank you for your unfailing love for a world that is unmindful of your eternal presence, for your church universal through which your saving grace in Jesus Christ is made known and for the privilege of your call to serve your people. Empower us with your Holy Spirit as we try to reach out and share the evangel of our Lord with those who seek 'the way, the truth, and the life' in a world that is overwhelmed with bad ne Let your will be done, O God. Amen.

Pastor Lina D. Apura

All churches have small beginnings. Two or three gather, the gathering becomes group, the group becomes a congregation, the congregation calls a pastor, and body of Christ has taken shape in a new place. Part of the ministry of the United Ch Board for Homeland Ministries is to discern where this is happening and how it can helpful along the way.

Take, for example, the story of Evangel United Church of Christ in Stafford, Texa pastors, the Revs. Capitulina and Patrocinio Apura, were members of the United Ch of Christ of the Philippines. During Patrocinio's term as a bishop of the UCCP, Capitulina attended Andover Newton Theological Seminary. When they retired they decided to settle in Texas.

"We wanted to join our two sons and had the intention of doing some grandparent she said. But little did they know what God had in mind. As they traveled to Texas, former student of Capitulina at Silliman University in the Philippines also set out fo Houston. As chance would have it, they met each other at a Filipino-Methodist chu The conversation soon turned to the possibility of the Apuras forming a new church

"We started with Bible studies in our home," said Capitulina. "We invited people they soon became the core group. Most were young couples with children. We also lot of camping and had some great times." It wasn't long before the group became large for the Apuras' home. They contacted Gethsemane United Church of Christ i Houston, which offered its facilities as a "nest" for the new church.

Both the South Central Conference and the UCBHM saw the Spirit at work. Rec ing that the growth needed more than voluntary leadership, they encouraged the Ap submit a proposal for funds. The Houston Association of the Conference accepted the Apuras as ministers with full standing. Along the way, each gave thanks for the of the church.

"This is our second new Filipino church in two years," said the Rev. David Felto Conference Minister of the South Central Conference. "And Cosmopolitan went fr nine to 152 members in just one year. It has been incredible to see that kind of gro

Thanks be to God who turns small beginnings into the vibrant Church of Jesus C and for the Spirit of Pentecost that shows us the way.

The address of Evangel United Church of Christ is 2114 Ruffian Lane, Stafford, Texas 77477.

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COMMUNITY PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Prayer Response: "O Grant Us Light"

✣**HYMN** "Come, O Fount of Every Blessing" No. 459

BENEDICTION

CHORAL BLESSING "Amen"

✣**POSTLUDE** "Lyons" Hayden

✣**You are Invited to Stand at these moments**

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On Pentecost Sunday we invite you to seek the Spirit's renewing in your ministry for Christ!

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12:00 Noon - TORCH Deadline
7:00 p.m. Cub Scouts
Stephen Ministry Training

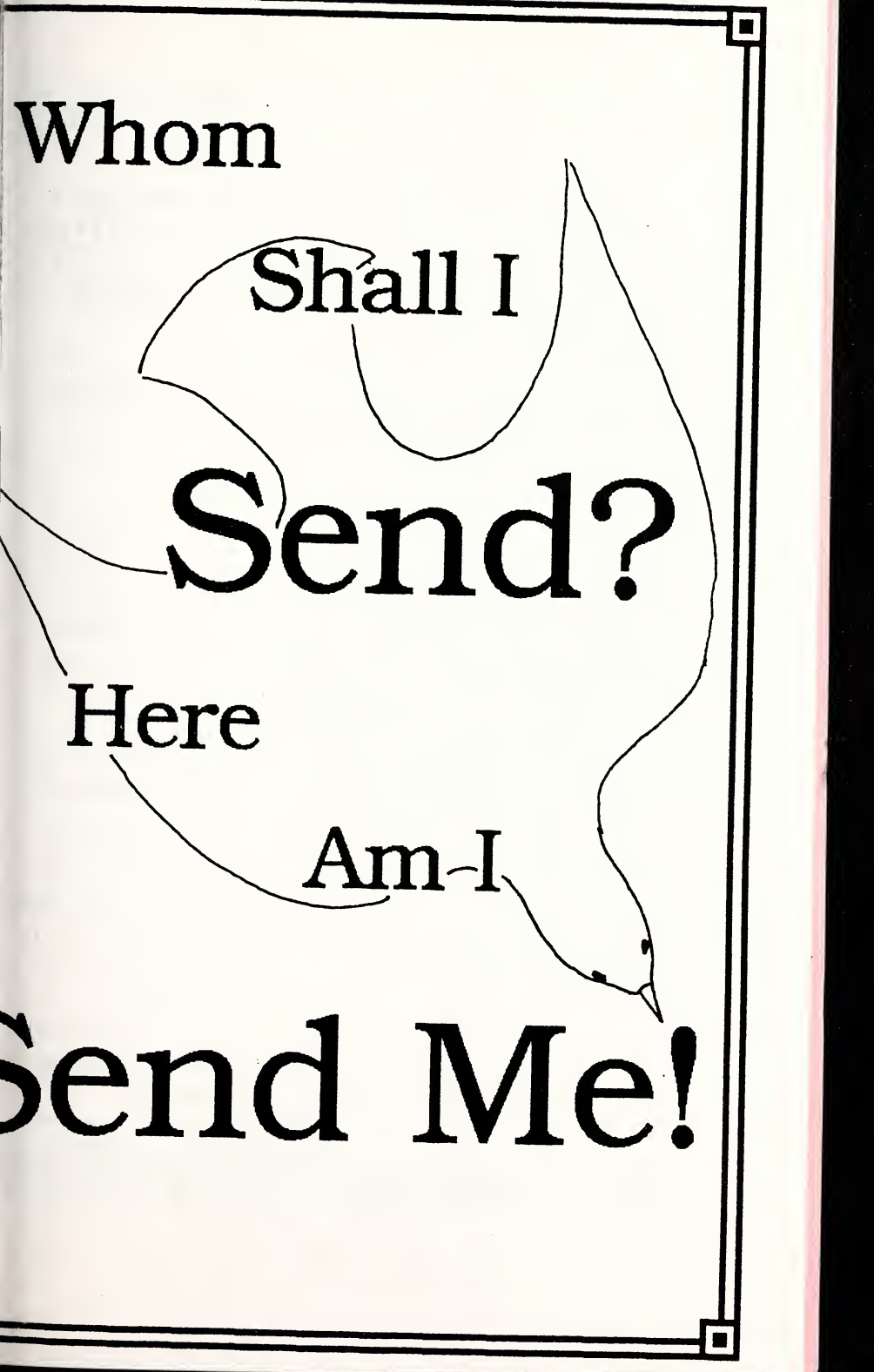
TUESDAY, May 20, 1997
10:30 a.m. Church Staff Meeting - Library

WEDNESDAY, May 21, 1997
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal
8:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous

THURSDAY, May 22,1997
7:30 a.m. Breakfast Club Bible Study
3:45 p.m. Terrific Thursday
7:00 p.m. Fun/Fundraising Commmittee Mtg.
Laymen's UCC Fellowship -

SATURDAY, May 24, 1997
Elon College Graduation

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Lohr Dixon by Vera Dixon, Nancy, and Susan.


Whom
Shall I
Send?
Here
Am I
Send Me!

Elon College Community Church
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May 25, 1997 Eleven o'clock in the Morning

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PRELUDE "Beside the Still Waters" Clarke

WORSHIP GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRANSITION TO WORSHIP

INTROIT "Let Us With a Joyful Mind "

✣ **HYMN** "For All the Saints" No. 299

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

Liturgist: Jerry Dillashaw
Hebrew Lesson: Isaiah 6:1-8 Page 622 OT Pew Bible
Collect and Lighting of the Christ Candle

SERVICE OF FORGIVENESS

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Personal Prayer (pray in silence . . .)
Community Prayer of Confession No. 836
Words of Assurance
✣Passing of the Peace
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✣ Gloria Patri (Traditional words) tune No. 759

SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING

The Call to Give
Choral Anthem: "All Nature's Works His Praise Declare"
Carlton Youn

✣**Doxology and Presentation of Gifts**
✣Offertory Prayer of Dedication

CHILDREN'S TIME

✣ **HYMN** "I Would Be True" No. 492

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SERMON "Here I Am, Send Me! " **Heather Dillashaw, Seminarian**

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Sunday, May 25

Trinity Sunday
First Sunday after Pentecost, Year B





Gracious God,
We hear your call, "Whom shall I send?" May each of us answer, "Here am I, Lord, send me." We ask you, "Where shall we go?" May each of us discern you answer. Thank you for calling us. In Jesus' name, grant us the courage to respond.

The call begins as a general perception, a feeling that the times are out of joint, that ministry might make a difference.

"The people of the former East Germany continue to feel like a somewhat separate society, excluded from the power and affluence they have observed in the former West Germany and in which they were promised to share following unification," the Europe Office of the UCC/Disciples Common Global Ministries Board (CGMB) reported afte discussions with the Evangelical Church of the Union (EKU). "The sense of security provided by their socialist society of the past is eliminated, while capitalism has thus t delivered no compensatory benefits. Moreover the financial resources available to the churches in the former East continue to be severely limited. In this situation, the sens Christian solidarity expressed in the assignment of Disciples/UCC mission personnel t work with them and share in their struggle is a potentially vital source of encouragement."

Yes, the CGMB would search for a person to engage in this ministry. But where sh they serve? And what might the specific ministry be? The EKU answered the questio

"The position would be based primarily in the Evangelische Gertraud-Marien Kirchengemeinde in Frankfurt/Oder, a congregation of the Evangelical Church in Ber Brandenburg on the German-Polish border. This is the largest parish in Frankfurt, covering half the area of the city, and has two other pastors. While there are about 4,8 persons on the membership list, typical attendance at Sunday worship services is abou 75.

"Work in the parish would include sharing in worship leadership, home visits to ill elderly members, etc. However, the distinctive assignment would be missionary outr to currently inactive members and to persons with no previous religious affiliation, especially young adults whose entire educational experience has been dominated by Marxist/atheist ideology. A second base for this position would be the Friedenskirche medieval Gothic church destroyed in WWII, which is under reconstruction to become new ecumenical/international meeting center. Here the candidate would develop programs of contact and cooperation and understanding between Germans and Poles."

Qualifications for the position would include fluency in German, experience in wo life, evangelism, and the capacity to activate inactive members. "Whom shall I send' God asked the prophet Isaiah.

"Send us!" answered the Rev. Lisa and Steve Smith who are missionaries of the U Disciples. Having answered the call, they are in mission today in Frankfurt/Oder.

The address of the Rev. Lisa and Steve Smith is Halbe Stadt 12, 15230 Frankfurt/Oder, Germany

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Picks
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✣**HYMN** "You Walk Along Our Shoreline" No. 504

BENEDICTION

CHORAL BLESSING "Amen"

✣**POSTLUDE** "Medley"

✣**You are Invited to Stand at these moments**

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1:30 p.m. Youth Fellowship
4:00 p.m. Adult Sunday School Class

MONDAY, May 26,1997
Church Office Closed
7:00 p.m. Cub Scouts
Stephen Ministry Training

TUESDAY, May 27, 1997
10:30 a.m. Church Staff Meeting - Library
12:00 noon - Lunch Bunch - Parish House

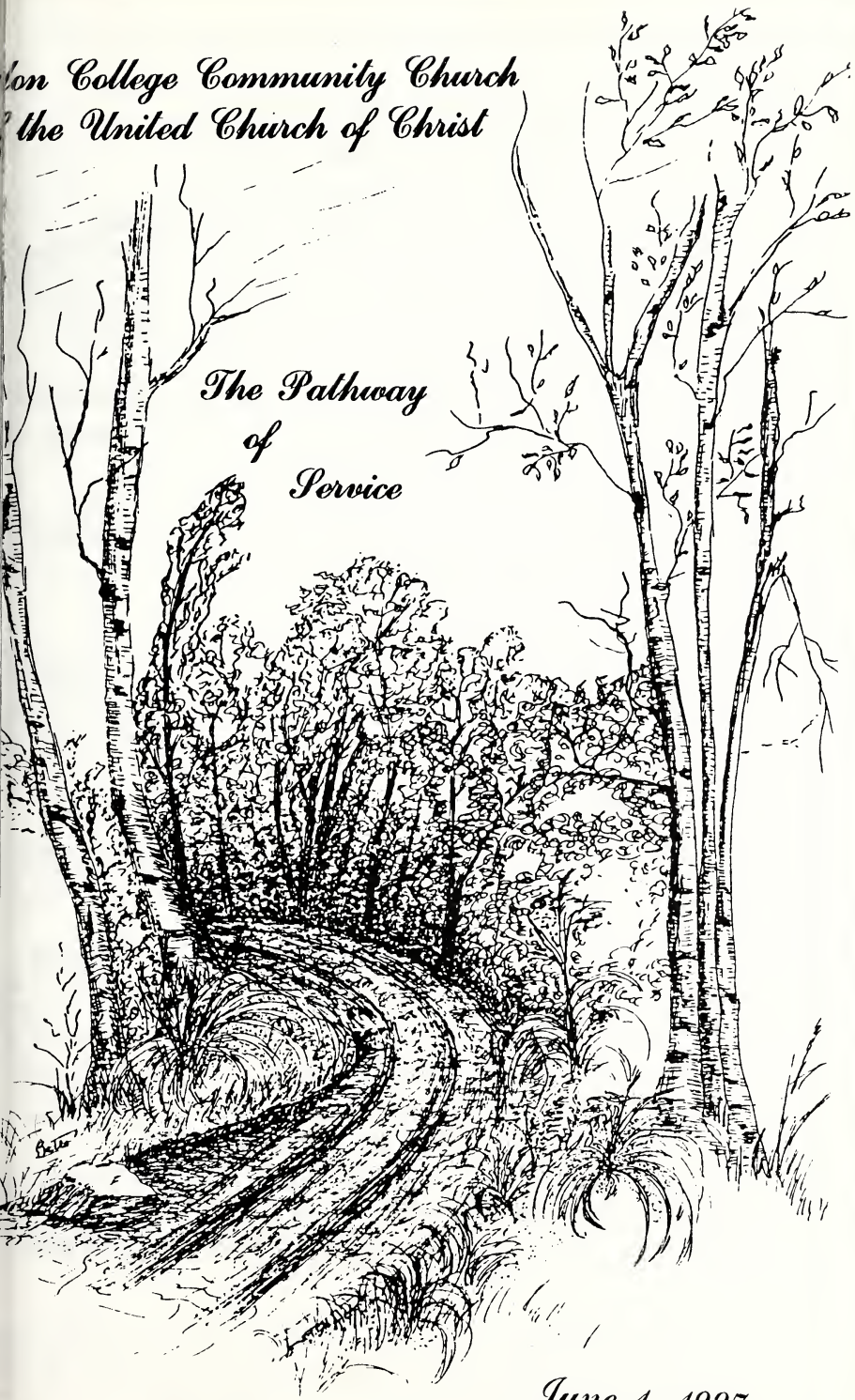
WEDNESDAY, May 28, 1997
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal
8:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous

THURSDAY, May 29,1997
7:30 a.m. Breakfast Club Bible Study
3:45 p.m. Terrific Thursday
7:00 p.m. Fun/Fundraising Commmittee Mtg.

SATURDAY, May 31, 1997
7:00 p.m. Service Faire - Parish House

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The Pathway of Service

June 1, 1997

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June 1, 1997 Eleven o'clock in the Morning

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PRELUDE "In Remembrance" Burl Red

WORSHIP GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRANSITION TO WORSHIP

INTROIT "O How He Loves You and Me" Terrific Thursday Choir

✣ **HYMN** "Community of Christ" No. 314

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

Liturgist: Beth Schmidt

Hebrew Lesson: Psalm 139: 1-6; 13-18 Page 566 OT Pew Bible

Collect and Lighting of the Christ Candle

SERVICE OF FORGIVENESS

Call to Confession

Personal Prayer (pray in silence . . .)

Litany of Intercession & Confession No. 878

Words of Assurance

✣Passing of the Peace

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P: And also with you.

(Extend the hand of peace to those seated near you...)

✣ Gloria Patri (Traditional words) tune No. 759

SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING

The Call to Give

Choral Anthem: "Reach Out to Your Neighbor" Copeland
Terrific Thursday Choir

✣**Doxology and Presentation of Gifts**

✣Offertory Prayer of Dedication

✣ **HYMN** "The Church of Christ in Every Age" No. 306

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MEDITATION "Reflections. . . " Beverly Beyer

SERVICE OF COMMISSIONING ✣ BEVERLY BEYER

Celebrating Our Mission . . .
Beverly Beyer Off to Bulgaria with the Peace Corps!

On June 10, 1997, **Beverly Beyer,** will journey to Bulgaria for a two year term with the United States Peace Corps. She takes seriously the mission statement of our church to **Live Christ in Today's World.**

The tour of duty comes after several years of planning. Beverly was inspired at a Career Fair display for the Peace Corps at The College of William and Mary. Her dream beyond college and through graduate school as she earned her Masters Degree.

Her expertise is in the training of English teachers. Few opportunities seemed to match her up with a Peace Corps assignment. One Peace Corps recruiter tried to discourage Beverly, but she still felt drawn to the program and its mission.

She applied for and was accepted in the **AmeriCorps Program** working for a year helping with community organization and orientation. She learned a great deal assisting in flood relief programs and flood victims in various parts of the country. Her supervisor and team leader had been a Peace Corps volunteer and encouraged Beverly's application to the program..

In the Fall of 1995 Beverly made an official application for the program and traveled to Washington, D.C. for interviews and physical examinations. There was a long wait for an assignment. She would be a trainer of English Teachers in another country.

Finally in December of 1996 she received a special Christmas gift. She was informed that she would go to Bulgaria. There Beverly would be offered a two to three month orientation to the country, culture and language. After she would be invited to teach High School English for one semester. The balance of her tour of duty would be to train English teachers.

Beverly has accepted the assignment and is busy getting ready for this adventure in service. Bulgaria is one of the emerging nations of the old Soviet Block. The country faces serious inflation and many new challenges in the transition period. She will be one of the many U.S. volunteers who will hopefully make the transition a bit brighter.

Beverly feels a calling to this mission. She clearly reflects an understanding of Christian witness in our everyday world. When asked what she will do after her assignment in Bulgaria she said that as she has done in the past she will let her intuition guide her.

A Service of Commissioning for A Church Member who enters the Peace Corps

Elon College Community Church
of the United Church of Christ

PASTOR

Jesus Christ came to bring peace to the heart of every human soul. He called others to follow him and to live out his example in active mission. He brought blessing to those who sought to live the peace of God when he spoke the in words of the Sermon on the Mountain, "Blessed are the peacemakers . . . ." Today we are blessed and well served as **BEVERLY BEYER**, a member of this congregation, a child of God, and a daughter of the Christian Faith. chooses to live out her Christian calling as she enters the service of the United States Peace Corps.

Paul the Apostle writes to us:

CONGREGATION:

Brothers and Sisters, I want you to know the truth about gifts from the Holy Spirit. There are different kinds of spiritual gifts, but the same spirit gives them. There are different ways of serving, but the same God is served. There are different abilities to perform service, but the same God gives ability to each of us for our particular service. The Spirit's presence is shown in some way in each person for the good of all.

PASTOR:

Friends in Christ, under the guidance of the Holy

Spirit, Christ has called **BEVERLY BEYER** to serve her country, her Lord and the people of Bulgaria as a teacher in the Peace Corps of the United States of America. I present her before you as one of your peers to be commissioned by this church in this mission.

BEVERLY, As you stand before your Church Family, as a visible sign of your response to Christ's call to service and ministry, I ask you:

Are you persuaded that God through Christ calls you to serve as a Teacher for the people of Bulgaria in the Peace Corps of our nation, and are you ready with the help of God to begin this special ministry on behalf of your Church Family in the United Church of Christ?

BEVERLY: I am.

PASTOR: Will you perform the duties as a commissioned worker of this congregation as one summoned by God to labor, giving God the glory and looking to God for strength and wisdom?

BEVERLY: I will, trusting in God's grace.

PASTOR: As the members of this body of Christ, I invite you to stand and affirm your covenant with BEVERLY BEYER as a commissioned worker in our midst.

CONGREGATION:

BEVERLY, we receive you as a commissioned worker of Elon College Community Church. We promise to support you in friendship and in prayers as your brothers and sisters in Christ. We offer our prayers daily for the duration of your service in the Peace Corps, and we offer

up prayers for the people in the communities you will serve. We celebrate the peace of the Holy Spirit in you and wait and watch with Christ for that peace to work in you for the sake of the people you will serve. We thank God for you and your commitment to Christ's Service.

PASTOR:
Let us pray:

Almighty and Loving God, who calls many people and offers many gifts of the Spirit to them, we seek your blessing upon Beverly Beyer, a daughter of this family in Christ, and a woman of faith. We seek your blessing upon her as she serves us as a commissioned worker and as a member of the Peace Corps. We give thanks to you for her ministry and her faithful example. Keep her faithful to your call and safe in her ministry to others. Join in our covenant with her to continue the mission of Jesus Christ to bring peace to every human soul. For we pray in His holy and merciful name. Amen.

In the name of Jesus Christ and on behalf of the Elon College Community Church of the United Church of Christ I declare that you are a commissioned worker of this congregation!

CONGREGATION: Thanks be to God! Amen.

At the close of today's service you are invited to join in the service of benediction and laying on of hands as we give Beverly our blessing. Join us for light refreshment on the front lawn of the church following worship as we honor her.

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ACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION
Invitation and Prayer of Consecration
Sharing the Bread and Cup
Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer
HYMN "You Servants of God" No. 305
ENEDICTION & BLESSING
POSTLUDE "Hyfrodol"

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To add your loved one to the prayer chain call 584-0391
Greeters today are Ken and Lou Harper.
Our Acolytes today are Jessica & Derrick Horner.
Please Note: Heather Dillashaw's new address is 3210 Orleans Drive, t. #1, Nashville, TN 37212.

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WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY, June 1, 1997
8:30 a.m. Teacher Appreciation Breakfast
9:45 a.m. Sunday School/11:00 a.m. Worship
1:30 p.m. Youth Fellowship

MONDAY, June 2,1997
6:30 p.m. Women's Fellowship General Mtg
7:00 p.m. Cub Scouts

TUESDAY, June 3, 1997
10:30 a.m. Church Staff Meeting - Library

WEDNESDAY, June 4, 1997
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal
8:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous

THURSDAY, June 5,1997
7:30 a.m. Breakfast Club Bible Study

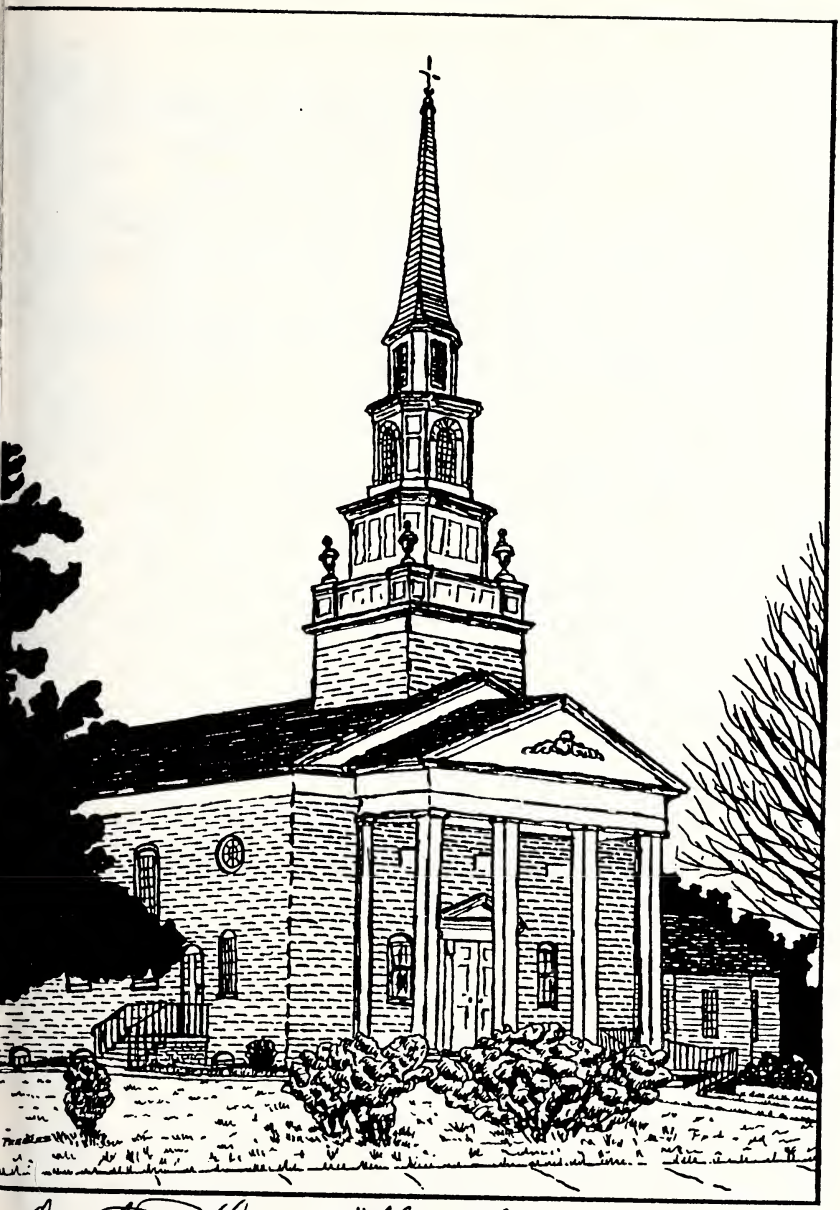
FRIDAY, June 6, 1997
8:30 p.m. Shelter Meal - Circle 1
Stephens Ministry Retreat through Sunday

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in honor of our children, Andre and Soraiya Wilkins, Charles Wilkins, and Tony and Kristin Pinnix, and our granddaughter, Samantha.

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Everyone is invited! The Women's Fellowship will hold their June General Meeting on Monday evening, June 2 at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish House. Dr. Raymond Hargrove, Director of Spiritual Life for Elon Homes for Children will be our guest speaker. Please come and bring a "covered dish" to share. A brief business meeting and meeting of circles will follow the program.

Katherine Floyd, President



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Elon College Community Church
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Elon College, North Carolina
"Living Christ in Today's World!"

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June 8, 1997 Eleven o'clock in the Morning

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PRELUDE "Beside the Still Waters" Cla

WORSHIP GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRANSITION TO WORSHIP

INTROIT "Let Us With A Joyful Mind" Chancel Choir

✣ **HYMN** "Sweet, Sweet, Spirit" No. 293

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

Liturgist: **Beverly Beyer**

Epistle Lesson: 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1 Page 177 NT Pew Bible

Collect and Lighting of the Christ Candle

SERVICE OF FORGIVENESS

Call to Confession

Personal Prayer (pray in silence . . .)

Litany of Confession No. 838

Words of Assurance

✣Passing of the Peace

L: The Peace of Christ be with you;

P: And also with you.

(Extend the hand of peace to those seated near you...)

✣ Gloria Patri (Traditional words) tune No. 759

SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING

The Call to Give

Choral Anthem: "Fairest Lord Jesus" Martin

✣**Doxology and Presentation of Gifts**

✣Offertory Prayer of Dedication

RECOGNITION OF GRADUATES FOR 1997

✣ **HYMN** "Spirit of Gentleness" vs. 1 & 4 No. 286

Children in grade 2 and below are invited to attend the second hour program downstairs or remain for Worship as parents wish.

SERMON "No matter what . . . ." **A. Aitcheson, Pastor & Teacher**

COMMUNITY PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Prayer Response: "O Grant Us Light!"

✣**HYMN** "Amazing Grace" No. 547

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As we celebrate the Graduates in our midst today we lift up prayers for their future and for the presence of the Living Christ throughout their lives!

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4:30 p.m. VBS Teacher Training
6:30 p.m. Church Nite

MONDAY, June 9,1997
7:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry Training

TUESDAY, June 10, 1997
10:30 a.m. Church Staff Meeting - Library
7:30 p.m. Parents of Troubled Teens Support Group

WEDNESDAY, June 11, 1997
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal
8:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous

THURSDAY, June 12,1997
9:00 a.m. Terrific Thursday trip to Asheboro Zoo
Southern Conference Annual Mtg.

FRIDAY, June 13, 1997
Southern Conference Annual Mtg.

SATURDAY, June 14, 1997
Southern Conference Annual Mtg.

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of our brothers, Harold Bobo Parks and Clyde S. Oakley by Tom and Ethel Oakley.

Our Known Graduates...

Ann Acquilano, BS Degree from Elon College
Brian Harper, BS Degree from Elon College
Connie Jourdan, BS Degree from East Carolina University
Marie Acquilano graduated from Walter Williams High School
Ben Gill graduated from Western Alamance High School
Brad Linde graduated from Western Alamance High School
Elizabeth Mayse graduated from Walter Williams High School
Kevin Pace graduated from Western Alamance High School
Scott Williamson graduated from Western Alamance High School

A Rite for Commissioning Stephen Ministers



Elon College Community Church
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August 4, 1996

Presentation

Dear Brothers and Sisters: You have been duly trained and equipped to serve as Stephen Ministers at Elon College Community Church of the United Church of Christ. Hear now the words we find in Scripture:

II Corinthians 1:3-4 Blessed be the God and Creator of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Creator of mercies and God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our affliction, so that we may be able to comfort those who are in any affliction, with the comfort with which we ourselves are comforted by God.

Colossians 3:23-24 Whatever your task, work heartily, as serving the Lord,...knowing that from Jesus Christ you will receive the inheritance as your reward: you are serving the Lord Jesus Christ!

As the Lord Jesus Christ has responded to your needs, we ask you to consciously strive to increase your sensitivity and your responsiveness to the needs of others. As the Lord took the burdens of the world upon his shoulders and has been a friend to you in troubled times, we ask you to be a friend to those who are burdened under the stress of daily life.

As the Lord Jesus patiently listens when you turn to him, we ask that you be a patient listener in a hurried world.

As the Lord Jesus has broken down the barriers that separated you from God, we ask you to heal divisions wherever you find them and strive to make people whole. As the Spirit of Christ has given you skills and abilities from your birth, we ask that you accept the call to be Stephen ministers who will serve others in his name.

As the Lord Jesus has shown his care for you, we ask you to help this congregation grow as a caring community through your own care and prayer.

As the Lord Jesus has revealed his presence to you through faith, we ask you to share your personal experiences of faith with those around you so that they too may celebrate the presence of Christ in our world today!

Vows

Are you prepared to meet those requests which are asked of you?
Stephen Ministers: Yes, with the help of God!

Are you prepared to nurture the skills you have learned and use them in service and training to others: to support, encourage, build up and comfort people in all their needs?
Stephen Ministers: Yes, with the help of God!

(to the congregation . . .)
As the members of Elon College Community Church we ask you to open your hearts to the ministry of these people and to pray for them, that they might be effective servants and teachers of Christ. Are you prepared to meet this request?
Congregation: Yes, with the help of God!
We also ask you to accept their ministry when they seek others to answer the call as Stephen Ministers, to allow those who are trained to work with you as you face the struggles in your life, that you might receive support and help from Christian brothers and sisters. Are you, as followers of Christ in today's world, prepared to meet that request?
Congregation: Yes, with the help of God!

(to the Stephen Ministers. . . .)

Katherine Floyd, Linda Raker, Susanne Shipley and Roberta Starr, having answered Christ's call to ministry are you prepared to serve as this Congregation's first Stephen Ministers?
Stephen Ministers: Yes!

Blessings

Katherine, May you see Christ in all people, and be moved by his life to care for those people, as you would care for Christ himself.

Linda, May you, as a life-affirming human being in Jesus Christ, share his ever-abundant love with others so that they and you may grow in his wholeness.

Susanne, Our Lord Jesus Christ touched the lives of people in many ways. May he shower his love upon you and sustain you in the ministry which lies before you.

Roberta, May the Lord Jesus who has graciously called you his disciple, now strengthen you with his Spirit for your ministry in and to his world.

Commendation

Because you have promised faithfully to serve Jesus Christ in today's world as Stephen Ministers, I commend you to the care and guidance of the Holy Spirit as you, in turn, care for others. Work hard; use the skills you have learned, releasing the gifts and talents the Spirit of God has given you, as you recruit, train, supervise and pray for those who will serve us all in Stephen Ministry. Act boldly without fear, for Christ is with you!

Prayer

Unison: God, take, Katherine, Linda, Susanne and Roberta into your care. You have blessed them with gifts of leadership. May they serve you and us with the power of the Holy Spirit - quick to serve and patient in listening. Keep them and all of us strong in our service for the sake of Jesus Christ who cares for all of us forever! Amen.

Presentation of Symbols of the Ministry

June 9, 1997

Dear church family,

I have been thinking about how to begin this letter for days, but I have been unable to find the words that will really capture just how joyfully overwhelmed, how *humbled* I am by your support of my Peace Corps mission. Your words of encouragement, your listening ears, your smiles, your helpful advice and questions, your generous gifts, and your glad hearts all have touched me deeply. Thank you! Already I am looking forward to sharing my adventures with you. Tomorrow, I leave for this adventure secure in God's love as that love has been expressed to me by all of you. And so I know that, wherever I may go, I will always have a home and family at the Elon College Community Church. Peace be with you!

Love,

Beverly Beyer

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Sunday, June 15

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost
(Proper 6), Year B
Father's Day

God, companion on life's journey, help us to trust in the miracle of your Church. W who struggle, clash, stumble and fall, are brought together by your Spirit that you m work through us to bring your peace and reconciliation to all those who feel alone a are crushed by life's injustices.

Jeffrey Mensendiek

Three pictures tell the story of the ministry of Jeffrey Mensendiek at the Gakusei Student Center in Sendai, Japan.







"The top picture is taken in the Student Center where I work," writes Jeff, who celebrates his birthday next Thursday. "Shima-san is the lady who works with me to minister to the 160 students who regularly come to our Center. She is a member of a local church, and a wonderful person to work with. Now with very, very few missionaries, the work of the Center will need to be supported by Japanese Christians like her.

"The middle picture is taken in Bangladesh. I go with students to southern Asia every spring for three weeks, to spend time with the poor, stay in homes, visit Christians who work with the sick, poor, marginalized. The Japanese young people are introduced to a whole new world. It also helps them to turn their eyes toward the marginalized and the poor in their own country. This is probably the most fulfilling part of my work.

"The third picture is taken in the Student Center, in the office space where Shima-san and I hang out with the students. Affluence is really a sickness. Japanese people are facing serious problems spiritually. As the terrible incident a year ago with the poisonous gas indicated, there is a lot of repressed anger and many people are living in a spiritual vacuum. Many o young people have a hard time developing deep friendships. The study-study-study emphasis in high schools takes a toll. And so the Student Center is like a home for th to learn what it means to share, trust, have faith, volunteer, and work together."

The address of Jeffrey Mensendiek is 2-1-44 Komegafukuro, Aoba-ku, Sendai- Miyagi-ken 980, Japan.

LET'S FACE IT...

Sunday, Jun

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Starting new churches may not be easy, but it's necessary: Jesus said so. "Be my witnesses," he commanded the disciples. "Go to the ends of the earth." It's record in the first chapter of the Book of Acts.

After Jesus left them, however, the disciples had their doubts. Starting churc was necessary, they admitted. But was it possible? Pentecost answered that question. That's when the Holy Spirit descended upon the disciples, showering them with possibility.

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ompared with Jesus' commandment to the disciples, our commission is easy: to start new churches right e in the United States, and to train new leadership for future of our churches.

lthough our commission may be easier, it's just as essary. And it's just as possible, thanks to Strengthen Church, the church growth and leadership develop- nt offering we receive each year at Pentecost (and enever else churches schedule it).

ur gifts to this offering "strengthen" the church by ping communities start new churches and helping sting churches renew their vision.

CC church growth projects involve a unique collabo- ion of persons and resources from our national and ference settings. Thirty–five of our thirty–nine ferences have participated!

nd these partnerships produce results: One hundred l twenty new and revisioned church initiatives during past ten years!

CC church growth projects reflect the ethnic and racial ersity we seek as an authentic faith community, too. k at these results: twenty of the new and renewed gregations are Asian American; twenty–two are panic; and twenty–seven are African American.

ver one–half of our gifts to the 1997 Strengthen the rch offering will help teams from our national and ference church settings continue the vital work of rch growth in the United Church of Christ.

New ordained and lay leadership is also essential to the vitality of the United Church of Christ.

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training in spiritual development for local church committee members

new approaches to equipping members from our Latino, Asian, African American and Native American congregations

programs to meet the changing needs of church women's groups

resources to help local churches plan truly inclusive multi–cultural meetings

Church growth and leadership development in the United Church of Christ are necessary.

With the help of your gift to the Strengthen the Church offering, they are also possible.

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Prayer Response: "O Grant Us Light!"

✣**HYMN** "God of the Ages" No. 592

BENEDICTION

CHORAL BLESSING "Amen"

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WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY, June 15, 1997

9:45 a.m. Sunday School/11:00 a.m. Worship
5:00 p.m. Grief Support Network
7:00 p.m. Shalimar United Methodist Church
Youth Choir Concert

MONDAY, June 16,1997

8:00 a.m. Youth from Shalimar to be returned to church
Cub Scout Day Camp through Thursday
Youth to Busch Gardens/Williamsburg -
to returnWednesday

TUESDAY, June 17, 1997

10:30 a.m. Church Staff Meeting - Library
7:30 p.m. Parents of Troubled Teens Support Group

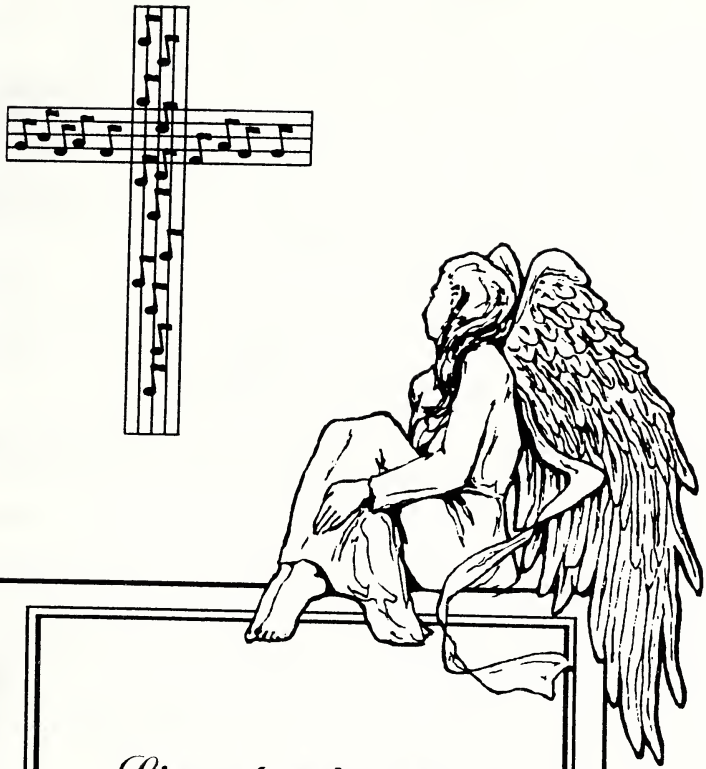
WEDNESDAY, June 18, 1997

7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal
8:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous

SATURDAY, June 21, 1997

9:00 a.m. Cub Scouts Spencer Shops Trip
and Family Picnic

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of her husband by Mrs. E. S. Lankford.



Sing to the Lord,
all the earth.
Sing to the Lord,
bless the name
of God!

Psalm 96

Elon College Community Church
of the United Church of Christ
"Living Christ in Today's World"
June 22, 1997 Eleven o'clock in the Morning

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PRELUDE "Thanks Be To Thee" Handel

WORSHIP GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRANSITION TO WORSHIP

INTROIT "This is the Day" No. 84
Chancel Choir & Congregation

✣ **HYMN** "God of Grace and Glory" No. 436

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

Liturgist: David Brown
Epistle Lesson: II Corinthians 6: 1-13 Page 178 NT Pew Bible
Collect and Lighting of the Christ Candle

✣**HYMN** "In the Garden" vs. 1 & 2 No. 237

SERVICE OF FORGIVENESS

Call to Confession
Personal Prayer (pray in silence . . .)
Litany of Confession No. 838
Words of Assurance
✣Passing of the Peace
L: The Peace of Christ be with you;
P: And also with you.
(Extend the hand of peace to those seated near you...)
✣ Gloria Patri (Traditional words) tune No. 759

SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING

The Call to Give
Choral Anthem: "To God Let Us Sing Our Praises" **Bertalot/Charpentier**
✣**Doxology and Presentation of Gifts**
✣Offertory Prayer of Dedication

CHILDREN'S TIME "Sing a Song"

Children in grade 2 and below are invited to attend the second hour program downstairs or remain for Worship as parents wish.

CELEBRATION OF HYMNS AND ANTHEMS

ANTHEM: "With A Voice of Singing" Shaw
Psalm Litany (see insert)

LITANY

℟: O praise the Lord!
: Sing to the Lord a new song; sing God's praise in the assembly of the faithful;
EGATION: Let Israel rejoice. Let them praise God's name in the dance and sing psalms
ith tambourine and harp.

℟: My heart is steadfast, O God, my heart is steadfast.
: I will sing and raise a psalm;
EGATION: Awake, my spirit, awake lute and harp. I will confess you, O God, among
es, among the nations I will raise a psalm to you.

℟: Come! Let us raise a joyful song to God, a shout of triumph to the Rock of our

Let us come into God's presence with thanksgiving and sing to God psalms of triumph.
EGATION: Shout before God, you who are righteous. Give thanks to God on the harp
o God psalms on the ten-stringed lute.

℟: Sing a new song to God; sing to God all peoples of the earth.
Sing to God and bless God's name; proclaim God's triumph day by day.
EGATION: Declare God's glory among the nations, and God's marvelous deeds among
s.

℟: Clap your hands, all you nations; acclaim our God with shouts of joy!
God has gone up with shouts of acclamation; our God has gone up with a fanfare of

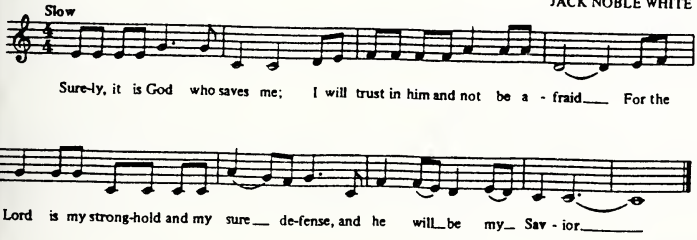
EGATION: Praise God with psalms!

God rules over all the earth. Sing psalms with all your art.

The congregation is asked to join the choir singing this refrain after each verse is sung:

SAIAH 12: 2-6*

JACK NOBLE WHITE



VERSE
Therefore you shall draw water with rejoicing
from the springs of salvation.
And on that day you shall say,
Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name;

REFRAIN

VERSE
Make his deeds known among the peoples;
see that they remember that his Name is exalted.
Sing the praises of the Lord, for he has done great things,
and this is known in all the world.

REFRAIN

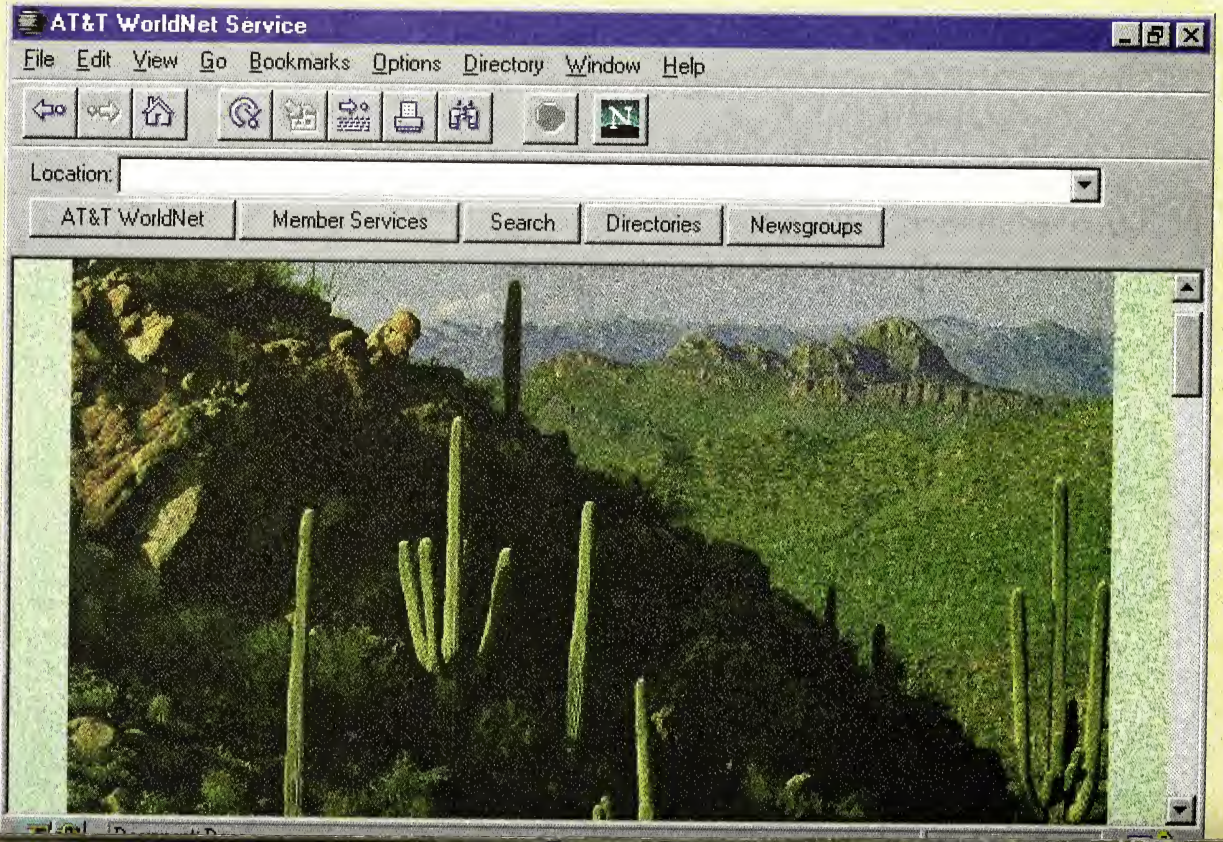
VERSE
Cry aloud, inhabitants of Zion,
ring out your joy,
For the great one in the midst of you
is the Holy One of Israel.

REFRAIN (sung twice)

Wild Frontier Bible Theme Park....where Jesus is the Main Attraction.

To transform our Sunday School Rooms into a Wild Frontier Bible Theme Park, there are some items and materials that we could use to be donated. If you would like to contribute some of these items, call Becky or bring to the church. Thanks for all your help.

Jingle Bells (small)
Picnic Blankets
Metallic Wrapping Paper
Old Lanterns
White Christmas Lights
Red Bandanas
Duct Tape
Candles
Licorice Ropes
Roll of Kite String
Crepe Paper Streamers


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AT&T WorldNet
Member Services
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Directories
Newsgroups

"The desert shall rejoice, and blossom."

Isaiah 35:1

Strengthen the Church

The community of Green Valley, south of Tucson, Arizona, might better be named "Grey Valley;" it's one of the fastest growing retirement areas in the country.

Supported by our gifts to Strengthen the Church, the Good Shepherd United Church of Christ in Green Valley is growing fast too. This new church start not only provides a ministry of caring to its members, but also provides a witness of inclusion to the larger community.

Aware of the danger of becoming isolated from the more diverse society of the Southwest, the members of good Shepherd UCC have adopted a mission statement that declares "our intention to be an intercultural and an intergenerational church in our worship and programs." Specifically, that statement reflects a commitment to promote understanding and good will among the Native American, Mexican American, and European American people who live together in the valley. It also expresses an intention to include families with children and youth, despite the presence of age–restricted neighborhoods in the area.

Inclusion works. The worshiping community at Good Shepherd has already outgrown Beth Shalom Temple where it started. Now, with the encouragement of the Southwest Conference, and the help of church building loans and capital development services from the United Church Board for Homeland Ministries, the congregation is building its own sanctuary.

We can help new churches like Good Shepherd UCC with our gifts to Strengthen the Church.

Please Give Generously

HYMN "Forward Through the Ages" **No. 377**
HYMN "Wonderful Words of Life" **No. 319 vs. 1 & 3**

HYMN "Now in the Days of Youth" **No. 350 vs. 1 & 2**
HYMN "What A Friend We Have in Jesus" **No. 506 vs.1 & 3**
ANTHEM:"First Song of Isaiah" Choir & Congregation (insert)

OMMUNITY PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Prayer Response: "Sweet Hour of Prayer" No. 505 vs. 3

HYMN "Sent Forth By God's Blessing" No. 76

HORAL BLESSING "Amen"

POSTLUDE "And Can it Be" Campbell

✣You are Invited to Stand at these moments

Prayer List for the Week

nie Hayes	**Carey Andes**	**Jane McNaney**	**Robert Timms**
awn Shepherd	**Nancy Welborn**	**Ruth Marlowe**	**Lorrain Linton**
atie Dudziec	**Anne Pope**	**Doug Wood**	**Susan Cummings**
lison Meincke	**Marie Laughter**	**Julie Thayler**	**Lacala Oakes**
ary Daniels	**Alice Eure**	**Ralph Gibson**	**Bill Lashley**
eone Tickle	**Denny Family**	**The Woody Family**	

ick & Maria Hutton

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Church Family Statistics

ttendance Last Sunday	**Offering**	**Offering Needed**
127	**$ 4,422.50**	**$ 4,500.00 /week**

AC/ETC Gifts: $ 345.00

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WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY, June 22, 1997
9:45 a.m. Sunday School/11:00 a.m. Worship
4:00 p.m. Choir Picnic - Aitcheson home
7:30 p.m. Budget/Finance Committee Mtg.

MONDAY, June 23,1997
6:30-8:30 p.m. Vacation Bible School
7:30 p.m. Nominating Comm. Mtg.

TUESDAY, June 24, 1997
10:30 a.m. Church Staff Meeting - Library
6:30-8:30 p.m. Vacation Bible School
7:30 p.m. Parents of Troubled Teens Support Group

WEDNESDAY, June 25, 1997
6:30-8:30 p.m. Vacation Bible School
8:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous

THURSDAY, June 26, 1997
7:30 a.m. Breakfast Bible Study
6:30-8:30 p.m. Vacation Bible School

FRIDAY, June 27, 1997
6:30-8:30 p.m. Vacation Bible School

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Verona and Earl Danieley in memory of Grace and Henry Danieley whose wedding anniversary was June 23, 1923.

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The Chancel Choir will not meet again until August 13, 1997. We would like to thank all of our musicians for all the dedication and hard work. You add so much to our worship service each week.

For you know the generous
act of our
Lord Jesus Christ,
that though he was rich,
yet for your sakes
he became poor,
so that by his poverty
you might become rich.

2 Corinthians 8: 9

Sunday Morning
Worship
June 29, 1997

Elon College Community
Church of the United
Church of Christ

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"Living Christ in Today's World"
June 29, 1997 Eleven o'clock in the Morning

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PRELUDE "Andante Cantabile" Kimball

WORSHIP GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRANSITION TO WORSHIP

✣**HYMN** **"Love Divine"** **No. 43**

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

Liturgist: Heidi Troxler

Gospel Lesson: Matthew 27: 32-44 Page 32 NT Pew Bible

Collect and Lighting of the Christ Candle

SOLO: "At the River" Aaron Copeland

Mr. Timothy Hill, Tenor

SERVICE OF FORGIVENESS

Call to Confession

Personal Prayer (pray in silence . . .)

Prayer of Confession: UNISON: LORD GOD OF MERCY AND TRUTH, FORGIVE THE SINS WE HAVE CONFESSED BEFORE YOU AND EACH OTHER. CHALLENGE US TO FIND OUR CENTRAL FOCUS IN THE GOOD NEWS OF CHRIST. AS HE WAS HUMBLED FOR OUR SAKES, HUMBLE US THAT WE MIGHT BE YOUR PEOPLE OF RECONCILIATION AND GRACE IN A SPIRITUALLY STARVING WORLD. TURN US AROUND THAT WE MIGHT CHOOSE RIGHTEOUSNESS OVER EVIL AND LOVE OVER HATE. HEAL US FROM WITHIN IN THE NAME OF JESUS CHRIST OUR SAVIOR. AMEN.

Words of Assurance

✣Passing of the Peace

L: The Peace of Christ be with you;

P: And also with you.

(Extend the hand of peace to those seated near you...)

✣ Gloria Patri (Traditional words) tune No. 759

SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING

The Call to Give

SOLO: "Love Bade Me Welcome" Ralph Vaughn Williams

Mr. Timothy Hill, Tenor

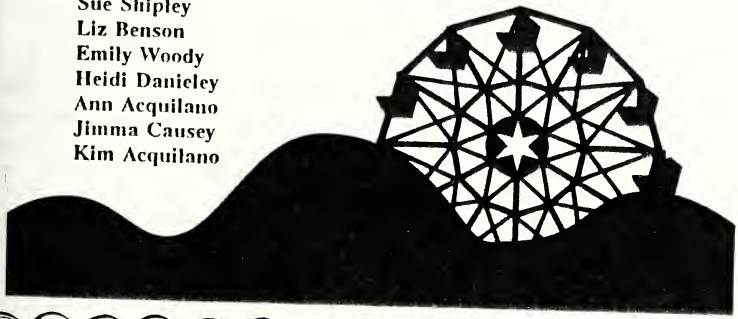
✣**Doxology and Presentation of Gifts**

GIVE A BIG "YEE-HAW!" TO THOSE WHO HELPED MAKE OUR WILD FRONTIER BIBLE THEME PARK THE RIDE OF A LIFETIME!

Nora Griswold
Elizabeth Parker
Bill & Helen Rippy
Lois Bost
Marie Wilkins
Doris & Biff Brafford
Patsy Jourdan
Beth Schmidt
Sue Shipley
Liz Benson
Emily Woody
Heidi Danieley
Ann Acquilano
Jimma Causey
Kim Acquilano

Norma Watson
Clara Noah
Pearl McLelland
Roberta Starr
Frances Longest
Jane Alexander
Ethel Oakley
Katherine Floyd

Beth Wilkins
Robin Gregory
Barry & Linda Raker
Sue Brown
Dave Turnage
Chris Causey
Betty Dillashaw



July 199

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
		1 Parents of Troubled Teens Support 7:30 PM	2 A.A. 8:00	3	4 CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED INDEP. DAY! Shelter Meal 5:30pm Ctr.2	5
6 Communion Sunday 10 AM SERVICES BEGIN!	7	8 Parents of Troubled Teens Support 7:30pm Ctr.3 7:30pm	9 A.A. Meeting 8pm	10 PICNIC & VESPERS 6:30pm	11 Cub Scout Fairy Stone Camping Trip & Picnic Begins	12 Fairy Ca Cou
13 WORSHIP 10:00am CHURCH NIGHT 6:30 pm	14	15 Parents of Troubled Teens Support 7:30pm	16 A.A. 8:00	17 6:30pm Picnic and Vespers Total Staff mtg. 7:45pm	18	19 L Co 5:0 "Vel Ra
20 Worship 10AM Grief Support 4:30	21	22 Parents of Troubled Teens Support 7:30pm	23 A.A. 8:00pm	24 6:30 pm Picnic & Vespers	25	26
27 Worship 10am	28	29 Parents of Troubled Teens 7:30pm	30 A.A. 8:00pm	31 6:30 pm Picnic & Vespers		

Offertory Prayer of Dedication

HILDREN'S TIME "The Paralytic Man" Echo Pantomime

ildren in grade 2 and below are invited to attend the second hour gram downstairs or remain for Worship as parents wish.

PISTLE LESSON 2 Corinthians 8: 7-15

ERMON "From Disgrace to Glory" Arch Aitcheson, Pastor

OMMUNITY PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN "God of the Sparrow" **No. 32**

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "Allegro Non Troppo" Kimball

✣You are Invited to Stand at these moments

Prayer List for the Week

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wn Shepherd	Nancy Welborn	Ruth Marlowe	Lorrain Linton
tie Dudziec	Anne Pope	Susan Cummings	Ralph Gibson
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123	$ 1,558.00	$ 4,500.00 /week

AC/ETC Gifts: $ 478.78

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WEEKLY CALENDAR

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9:45 a.m. Sunday School/11:00 a.m. Worship

TUESDAY, July 1, 1997
10:30 a.m. Church Staff Meeting - Library
7:30 p.m. Parents of Troubled Teens Support Group
Fund Raising Committee - Seekers Classroom

WEDNESDAY, July 2, 1997
8:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous

FRIDAY, July 4, 1997
Church Office Closed
8:30 p.m. Shelter Meal - Circle 2

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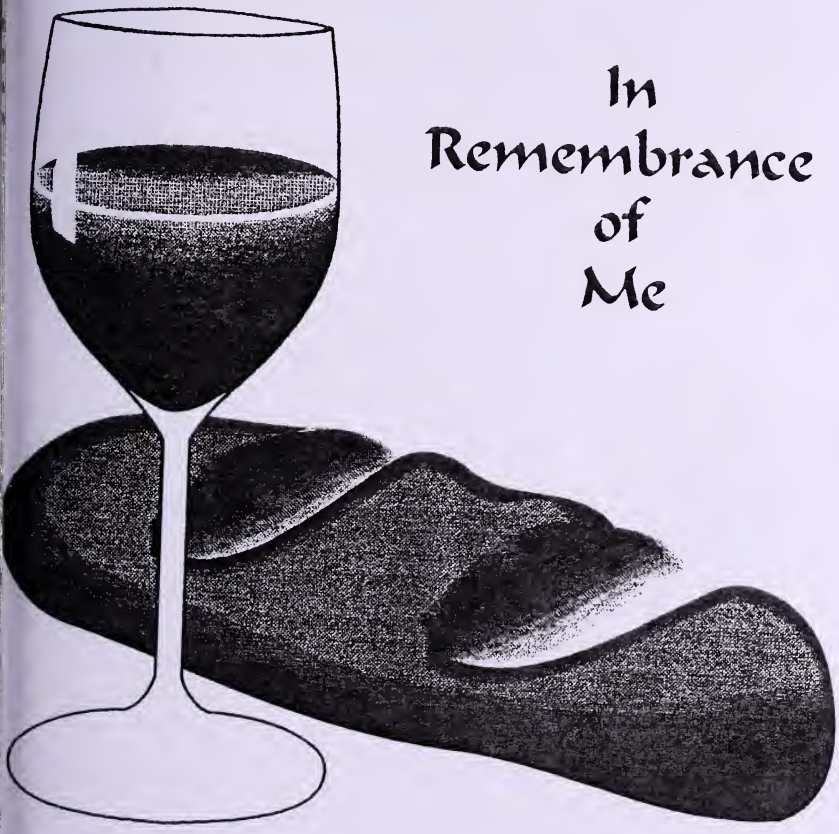
☺ *The Breakfast Club Bible Study will not meet again until the end of August.*

☺ *On July 6th, the morning worship service will begin at 10:00 a.m with Sunday School immediately following the worship service. This will be the schedule through August.*

☺ *Starting July 10th, there will be a picnic and vesper service on the church lawn at 6:30 p.m. Bring your picnic supper and enjoy the fellowship and vespers every Thursday evening.*

☺ *The First Baptist Church of Elon College will be having a concert by the group "Witness" on July 18 , 7:30 p.m. This is a group made up of eleven college students from various schools across the state and sponsored by the Evangelism Division of the NC Baptist State Convention. To obtain free tickets, call Rev. Arnold Gosnell at 584-2735 or 584-5181 no later than July 2.*

In Remembrance of Me



Elon College Community Church
United Church of Christ
July 6, 1997

Elon College Community Church
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"Living Christ in Today's World"
July 6 , 1997 Ten o'clock in the Morning

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PRELUDE "If You Believe" Brickman

WORSHIP GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRANSITION TO WORSHIP

✤ **HYMN "I Love To Tell the Story"** **No. 522**

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

Liturgist: Dick Rinker

Gospel Lesson: Mark 6: 1-13 Page 37 NT Pew Bible

Collect and Lighting of the Christ Candle

SERVICE OF FORGIVENESS

Call to Confession

Personal Prayer (pray in silence . . .)

Prayer of Confession: UNISON: WE CLAIM TO LOVE TO TEL
THE STORY, GOD, BUT WE ARE NOT GOOD AT LIVING TH
STORY. WE KNOW WHAT IS RIGHT IN YOUR SIGHT. WE
CHOOSE WHAT IS WRONG. WE KNOW THE WAY OF LIFE.
WE CHOOSE THE WAY OF DEATH. WE HAVE BEEN TAUG
TO BE LOVING AND FORGIVING. WE CHOOSE TO HATE A
HOLD GRUDGES. CHANGE US, GOD, IN THE NAME OF TH
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✣ Gloria Patri (Traditional words) tune No. 7

SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING

The Call to Give

HYMN "God, speak to Me, That I May Speak" **No. 531**

✣**Doxology and Presentation of Gifts**

✣Offertory Prayer of Dedication

HEBREW LESSON Psalm 48 Page 507 OT Pew Bible

COMMUNION MEDITATION

"Mission Begins with You!" Arch Aitcheson, Pastor

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation and Prayer of Consecration

Breaking Bread and Sharing the Cup

You are invited to follow the ushers' direction to come forward to receive communion. Our method is intincture. Please take a piece of bread and dip it into the chalice and partake as you return to the pew by the side aisles.

Prayer of Thanksgiving and The Lord's Prayer

✢**HYMN** **"Christian, Rise and Act Your Creed"** **No. 537**

✢**BENEDICTION**

✢**POSTLUDE** **"Angel Eyes"** **Brickman**

✢You are Invited to Stand at these moments

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10:00 a.m. Worship Servicel/11:00 a.m. Sunday School

TUESDAY, July 8, 1997
10:30 a.m. Church Staff Meeting - Library
7:00 p.m. Circle 3 - Seekers Classroom
7:30 p.m. Parents of Troubled Teens Support Group

WEDNESDAY, July 9, 1997
8:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous

THURSDAY, July 10, 1997
6:30 p.m. Picnic and Vespers

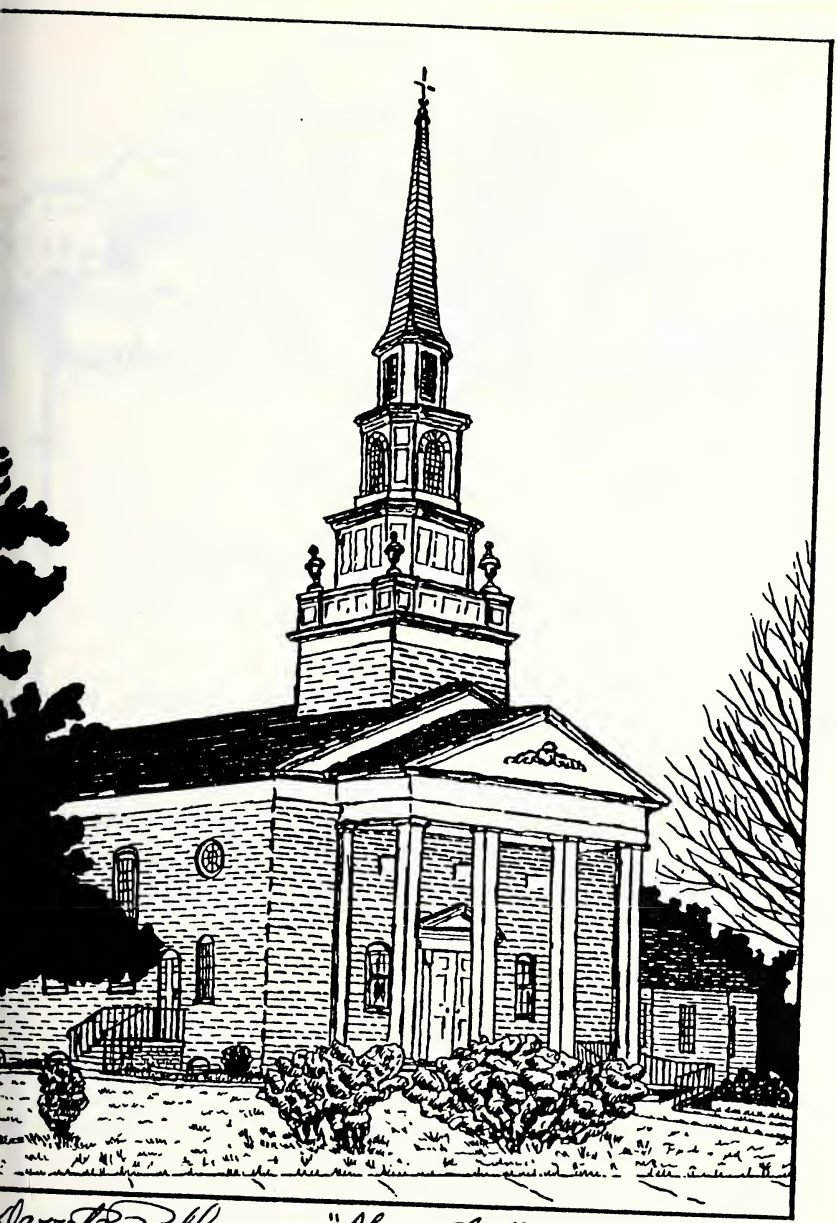
FRIDAY, July 11, 1997
Fairy Stone Camping Trip and Picnic for Cub Scouts

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☺ *There will not be a Second Hour Child Care during the months of July and August.*

☺ *The Burlington Area UCC Men's Fellowship are having a BBQ lunch & supper on July 26, 1997 at 11:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. at Haw River Christian Church. All proceeds go to the District Scholarship Fund. Tickets are $5.00 and may be purchased in the church office.*



"Above Elon"

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Elon College, North Carolina
"Living Christ in Today's World!"

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PRELUDE "Tunes from the Shape Note Tradition" Dulcimer
played and sung by Dr. Carole Troxler

WORSHIP GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRANSITION TO WORSHIP

✣ **HYMN** **"All Things Bright & Beautiful"** **No. 31**

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

Liturgist: Jeff Wilkins, III
Gospel Lesson: Mark 4: 21-29 Page 37 NT Pew Bible
Collect and Lighting of the Christ Candle

SERVICE OF FORGIVENESS

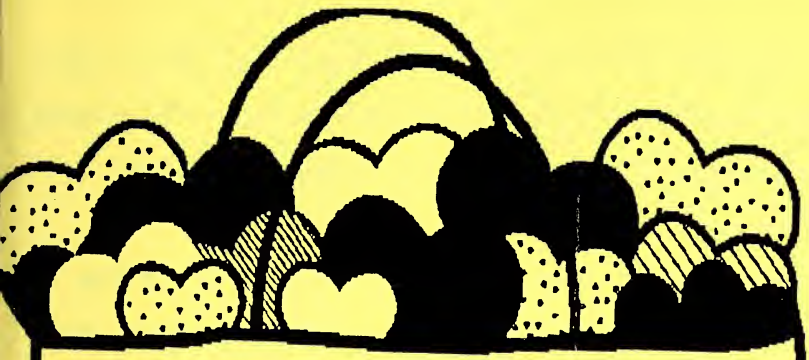
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Prayer of Confession: UNISON: WE HIDE THE LIGHT YOU OFFER THROUGH US GOD. WE REFUSE TO GROW UP SPIRITUALLY. WE HIDE FROM CHRISTIAN RESPONSIBILITY. WE RUN FROM YOUR LOVE AND SEEK SHALLOW PLEASURES. WE ARE SELFISH AND VAIN. WE ARE FOOLISH AND NARROW. HEAL US BY FORGIVING US. LET THE LIGHT OF CHRIST SHINE IN US. LET YOUR MERCY GROW IN OUR LIVES. TO THE GLORY OF JESUS CHRIST OUR SAVIOR. AMEN.
Words of Assurance
✣Passing of the Peace
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P: And also with you.
(Extend the hand of peace to those seated near you...)
✣ Gloria Patri (Traditional words) tune No. 759

SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING

The Call to Give
Offertory Music: "Wondrous Love" Carole Troxler
✣**Doxology and Presentation of Gifts**
✣Offertory Prayer of Dedication

CHILDREN'S TIME **"Thanks Song"** **No. 28**

HEBREW LESSON **Psalm 24** **Page 491 OT Pew Bible**



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Pencil This in on Your Calendar

July 19, 5 pm

Concert on the Lawn
at Elon College Community Church

enjoy the music of
Brad Linde and
The Velveteen Rabbi

Enjoy a box supper along with the music - Tickets are $10 and include supper. Tickets must be purchased by July 15. Bring lawn chairs.

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plan to attend the concert:
ill need _____ suppers.
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ERMON: "God OWNS it ALL!" Arch Aitcheson, Pastor

HYMN "Praise for the Living God" **No. 8**

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "The Heavens are Telling" Haydn

✣You are Invited to Stand at these moments

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otal for the Service Faire was $6,922.50!

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WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY, July 13, 1997
10:00 a.m. Worship Service/11:00 a.m. Sunday School
6:30 p.m. Church Nite
8:00 p.m. Church Council Mtg.

TUESDAY, July 15, 1997
10:30 a.m. Church Staff Meeting - Library
7:30 p.m. Parents of Troubled Teens Support Group

WEDNESDAY, July 16, 1997
8:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous

THURSDAY, July 17, 1997
6:30 p.m. Picnic and Vespers
7:00 p.m. Burlington area UCC Laymen's Fellowship - Haw River Christian Church

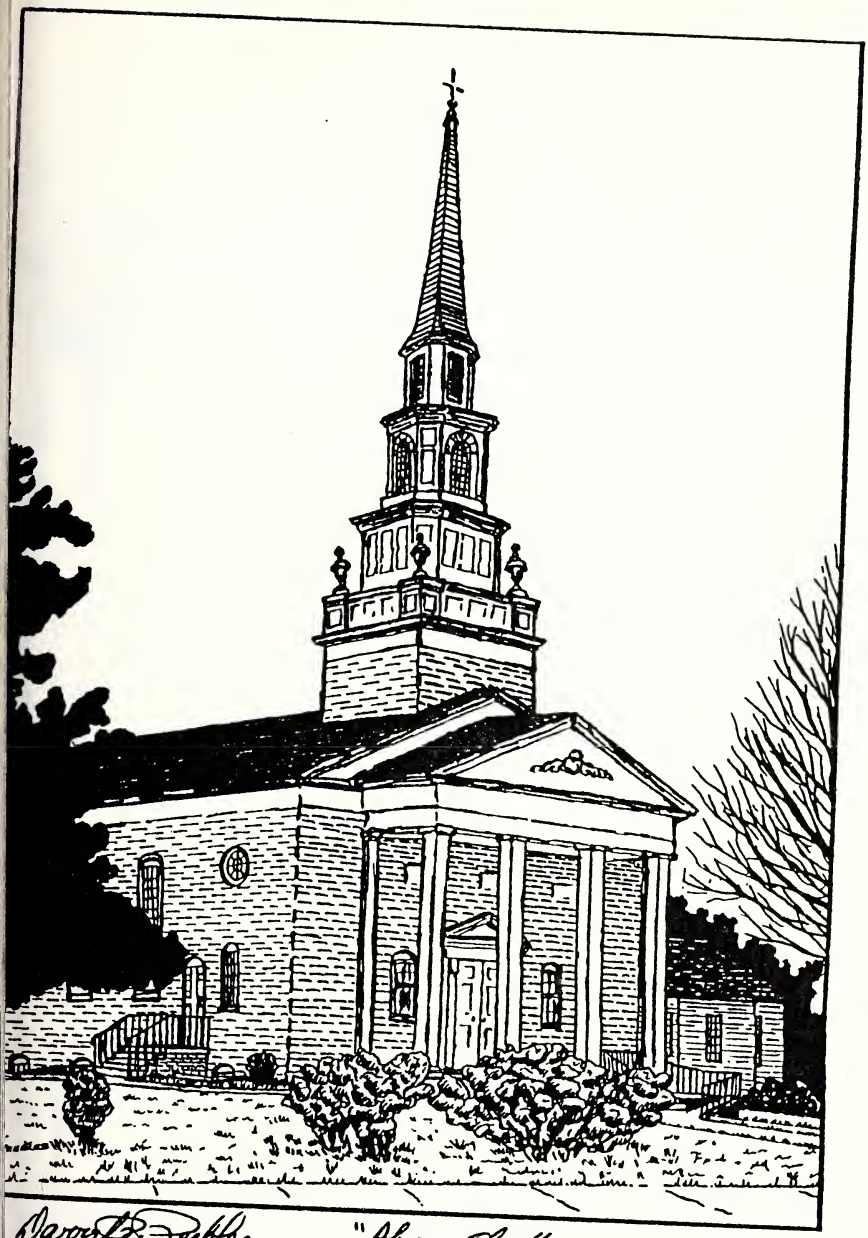
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Cub "Mom and Me" at Woodfield Scout Preservation

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PRELUDE "Gesu My Treasure" Young

WORSHIP GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRANSITION TO WORSHIP

✣ **HYMN** **"Ask Me What Great Thing I Know"** **No. 4**

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

Liturgist: Carole Troxler
Hebrew Lesson: Psalm 23 Page 491 OT Pew Bible
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SERVICE OF FORGIVENESS

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Prayer of Confession Prayer No. 838 Back of the Hymnal
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The Call to Give
Offertory Hymn: "Beautiful Jesus" No. 4
✣**Doxology and Presentation of Gifts**
✣Offertory Prayer of Dedication

CHILDREN'S TIME **"United in Jesus Christ"**

EPISTLE LESSON **Ephesians 2: 11-22 Page 189 NT Pew Bibl**

SERMON

"Getting Our Act Together" Arch Aitcheson, Pastor & Teacher

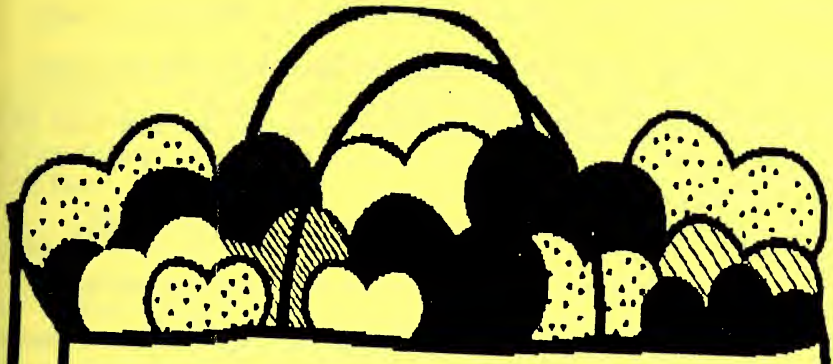
FELLOWSHIP OF PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

✣**HYMN** **"Hope of the World"** **No. 46**

✣**BENEDICTION**

✣**POSTLUDE** "Hymn of Adoration" Parks

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4:30 p.m. Grief Support Network - Aitcheson Home
7:30 p.m. New Members Orientation - Aitcheson Home

MONDAY, July 21, 1997
12:00 Noon - TORCH Deadline

TUESDAY, July 22, 1997
10:30 a.m. Church Staff Meeting - Library
7:30 p.m. Parents of Troubled Teens Support Group

WEDNESDAY, July 23, 1997
8:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous

THURSDAY, July 24, 1997
6:30 p.m. Picnic and Vespers

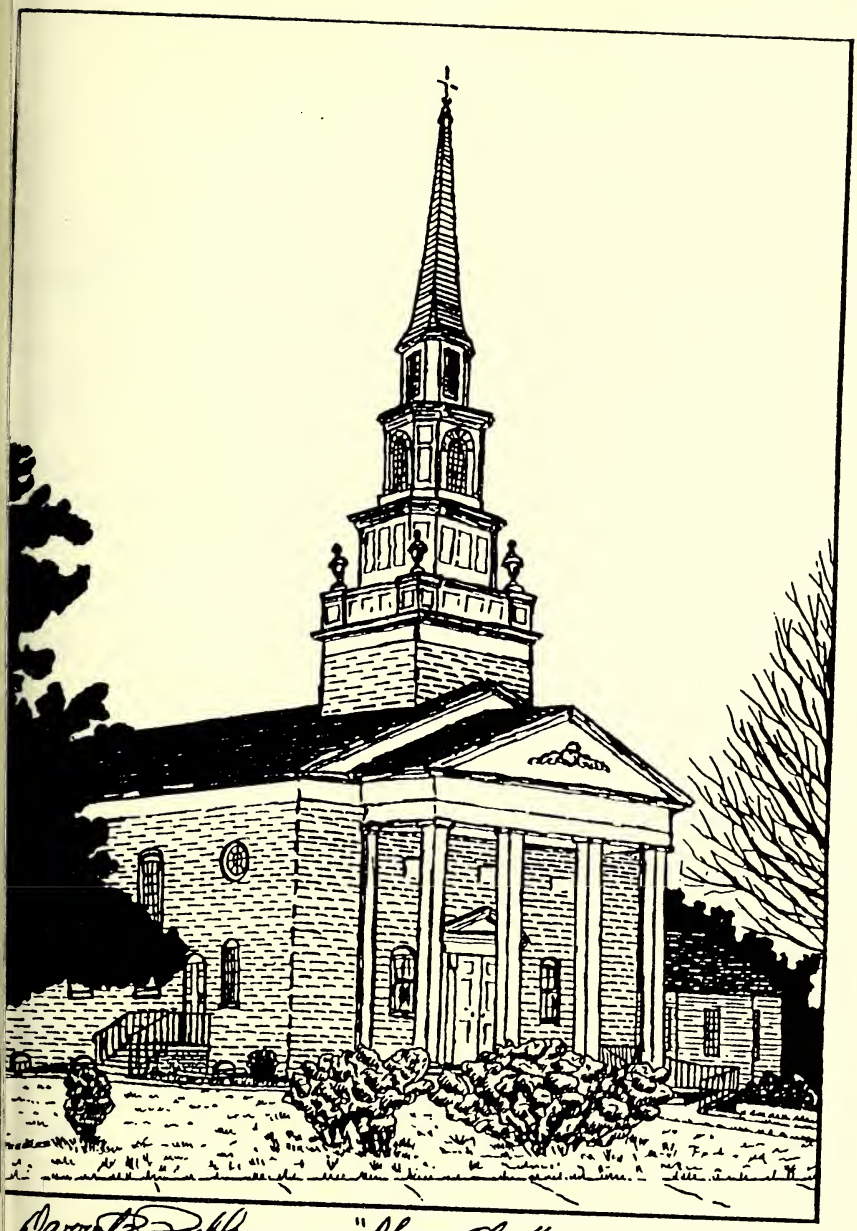
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The rose on the altar is given in honor of the birth of Lance Alexander Pinnix on July 7, 1997. He is the son of Tony and Kristi Pinnix and grandson of Louis and Beth Wilkins.

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PRELUDE "He Leadeth Me" Bliss

WORSHIP GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

REPORT FROM GENERAL SYNOD Katherine Floyd

TRANSITION TO WORSHIP

✣ **HYMN** **"God is My Shepherd"** **No. 479**

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

Liturgist: Bernice Harclerode
Epistle Lesson: Ephesians 3: 14-21 Page 189 NT Pew Bible
Collect and Lighting of the Christ Candle

SERVICE OF FORGIVENESS

Call to Confession
Personal Prayer (pray in silence . . .)
Prayer of Confession Prayer No. 835 Back of the Hymnal
Words of Assurance
✣Passing of the Peace

L: The Peace of Christ be with you;
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✣ Gloria Patri (Traditional words) tune No. 759

Offertory Anthem: "In the Presence of Jehovah" Geron Dav
Guest Soloist, Todd Higginson

MISSION MOMENT Ellie Ketcham for Special Fridays

SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING

The Call to Give
Offertory Hymn: "Precious Lord" No. 47
✣**Doxology and Presentation of Gifts**
✣Offertory Prayer of Dedication

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS (see insert please . .

GOSPEL LESSON John 6: 1-21 Page 96 NT Pew Bible

SERMON "Don't Discount the Miracle"
Arch Aitcheson, Pastor & Teacher

ORDER FOR THE RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Elon College Community Church
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NTRODUCTION OF THE NEW MEMBER'S CLASS

THE CONFESSION OF FAITH:

PASTOR: Dearly beloved, do you confess your faith in esus Christ as your Lord and Savior, and make him your xample? Do you take for your rule of life the words of he Gospel: **You shall love God, your Creator, with all our heart, and with all your soul, and with all your nind, and with all your strength, and your neighbor as ourself?**

ESPONSE: **I do, with God as my helper!**

ASTOR: Do you hold to the beliefs of the United hurch of Christ and to the covenant of this ongregation? Do you strive to witness to that faith in is fellowship with your brothers and sisters in Christ?

ESPONSE: **I do, with God as my witness!**

ASTOR: Let us all affirm our faith in God, the Three--One, as we say in one voice the Statement of Faith that ites us in Christ!

ALL: **The United Church of Christ Statement of Faith (page 885 in the back of the Hymnal)**

ASTOR: I ask you now, in the presence of God and in

the company of this body of Christ, do you offer yourself to God's service without reservation? Do you seek to be a faithful and active member of this church? Ever mindful of the welfare of all members do you promise to walk with them in faithfulness and Christian love? Do you covenant with God and this church to attend worship, to observe the sacraments, to share in mission, as together we strive to make this a living body of Christ in today's world?

RESPONSE: **I do, with the help of the Holy Spirit!**

DEACON: I ask this congregation to please stand to welcome these brothers and sisters into the fellowship of this church. Join me in the words of welcome.

CONGREGATION: **We, your brothers and sisters in Jesus Christ, gladly welcome you into this family of Christ at the Elon College Community Church. We invite you to share with us the hopes, the labors, the dreams and the joys of our ministry together. We promise to walk with you in Christian love and empathy and to promote, as far as in us lies, growth in the Spirit and Life of Jesus Christ our Savior. May God keep us united in mission and faithful in the Holy Spirit as we work for that realm that is everlasting.**

RIGHT HAND OF FELLOWSHIP AND PRESENTATIONS

INTRODUCTION OF FRIENDSHIP SPONSORS

PRAYER OF BLESSING

WELCOME OUR NEW MEMBERS!

KATRINA T. CHAPPELL
2567 Oakcrest Court
Burlington NC 27217
(910) 222-0657

Katrina is married to Stephen Chapell and is mother to Christy Ruth and Kimberly Webb. She is grandmother to Casey Webb. She works for Protech Communications and comes to us by letter of transfer from Hopedale Christian Church.

KENNETH ROBERT HALL
1773 Belmont-Alamance Road
Burlington NC 27215
(910) 226-2701

Kenneth comes to us through his participation in the Grief Support Network. He is father to Daniel, Kenneth Jr. and Kathy Hall. He is a widower. He lists golf as one of his hobbies. He comes to us by reaffirmation of faith.

RICHARD CARL ORSVATH
116 Avenue of the Trees
P.O. Box 1025
Elon College NC 27244-1025
(910) 449-5364

Richard joins us as an Associate Member sharing his covenant relationship with The First Congregational Church of Bristol, CT. You will spot him as an usher or in the Chancel Choir on Sunday mornings. He is also a member of the Seeker's Class.

CAROLYN P. RICHARDSON "PAT"
Lot 21# Clovercreek Villa
Mebane NC 27203
(910) 578-3013

Pat is a nurse by training and has worked with local hospitals and hospice programs. She likes sewing, needle work as well as providing care and understanding to others in need. She comes to us by letter of transfer from Andrews Memorial Baptist Church in Graham.

PLEASE TAKE A FEW MOMENTS TO SPEAK WITH OUR NEWEST MEMBERS AFTER WORSHIP IN THE NARTHEX AND AT THE LEMONADE SOCIAL ON THE FRONT LAWN!

FOOTBALL SUNDAY. HOSTS are needed for footba Sunday, August 17. Individuals or couples may serve a hosts. You will be asked to meet your assigned footbal players (3 or 4) before church, sit with them during th church service, and to visit with them during the lemonade hour and during lunch on the church ground You will also be asked to bring a homemade dessert fo the lunch and to pay $2 each for your lunch. Lunch, other than the desserts, will be provided by Aramark (the college dining service). Lunch will be served at about 11:30 a.m. Final day for sign-up is August 10.

WE (I) will be happy to serve as host on Sunday, Augu 17 when the Elon College football team worships with us.

NAME:_____

TELEPHONE NUMBER_____

FELLOWSHIP OF PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

✣HYMN "O Come to Me, You Weary" No. 484

✣BENEDICTION

✣POSTLUDE "Rondeau" Mouret

✣You are Invited to Stand at these moments

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We are delighted to have Todd Higginson with us this Sunday. Todd is the son of our Office Manager, Diane Jones and is an active member of First Baptist Church of Elon College. He attends Western Carolina University and plans on being either a youth minister or church pastor.

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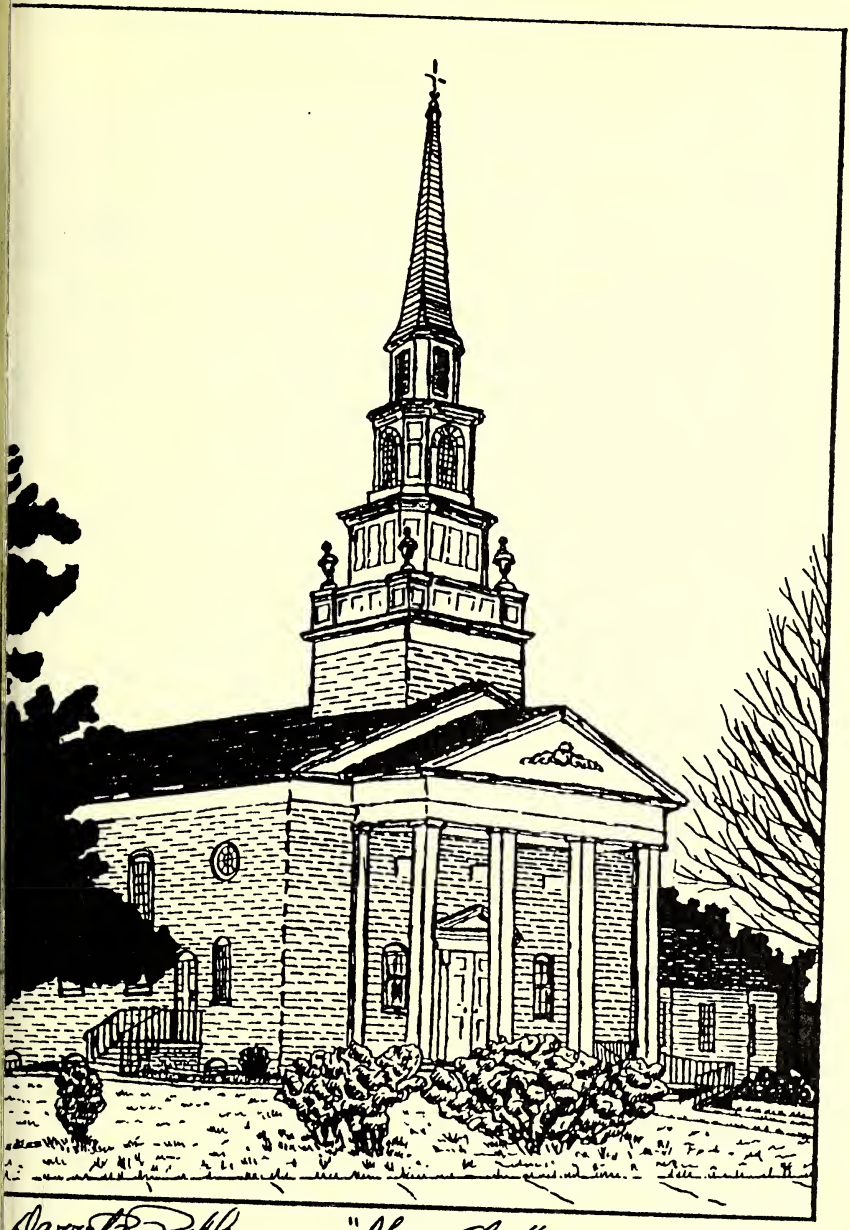
MONDAY, July 28, 1997
7:30 p.m. Stephens Ministry Supervision

TUESDAY, July 29, 1997
10:30 a.m. Church Staff Meeting - Library
7:30 p.m. Parents of Troubled Teens Support Group

WEDNESDAY, July 30, 1997
8:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous

THURSDAY, July 31, 1997
6:30 p.m. Picnic and Vespers

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PRELUDE "This do in Remembrance of Me" Hunnicut

WORSHIP GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRANSITION TO WORSHIP **Psalm 2 Page 479 OT Pew Bible**

✣ **HYMN** **"Alleluia! Gracious Jesus!"** **No. 257**

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

Liturgist: Verona Danieley
Hebrew Lesson: Isaiah 42: 1 - 9 Page 657 OT Pew Bible
Collect and Lighting of the Christ Candle

SERVICE OF FORGIVENESS

Call to Confession
Personal Prayer (pray in silence . . .)
Prayer of Confession Prayer No. 837 Back of the Hymnal
Words of Assurance
✣Passing of the Peace

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✣ Gloria Patri (Traditional words) tune No. 7
✣United Church of Christ Statement of Faith No .88

SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING

The Call to Give
Offertory Hymn: "Let Us Break Bread Together" No. 33
✣**Doxology and Presentation of Gifts**
✣Offertory Prayer of Dedication

GOSPEL LESSON **Matthew 3: 13 - 17 Page 874 NT Pew Bibl**

COMMUNION SERMON "God's Voice"
Rev. A. Parker Lewis, Guest Pastor & Teacher

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

All are welcome to receive the feast of love by coming forward via th center aisle as directed by ushers, receiving the bread, dipping it in the cup, partaking of it and returning to the pew by the side aisles. Deacc will bring communion to those requiring it.

Our Service begins with the Communion Invitation on the bottom of page 5 in the front of the Hymnal. we will be following Service B.

✣**HYMN** **"Bread of the World, in Mercy Broken"** **No. 346**

✣**BENEDICTION**

✣**POSTLUDE** "Recessional"

✣**You are Invited to Stand at these moments**

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Aug. 3-6- First Session Webelos Ca mp
at Camp Cherokee

MONDAY, August 4, 1997
10:30 a.m. Circle 1 - Library
7:30 p.m. Circle 2 - Home of Beth Wilkins

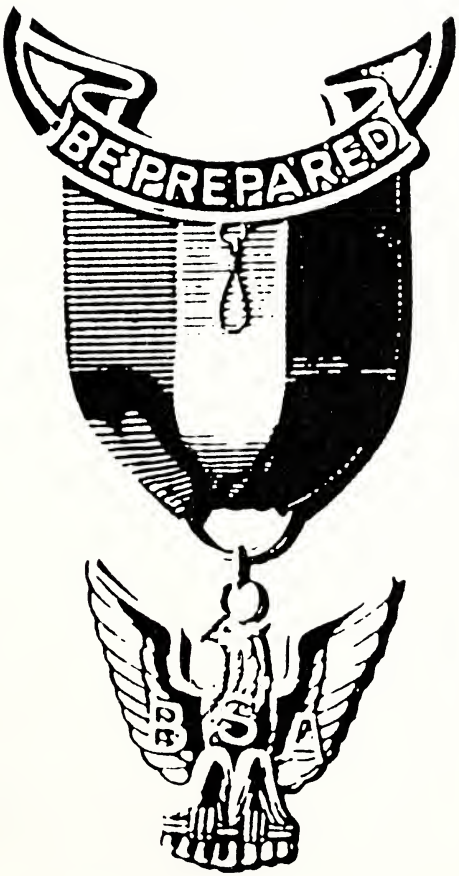
TUESDAY, August 5, 1997
10:30 a.m. Church Staff Meeting - Library
7:30 p.m. Parents of Troubled Teens Support Group

WEDNESDAY, August 6, 1997
8:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous

THURSDAY, August 7, 1997
6:30 p.m. Picnic and Vespers

SATURDAY, August 9, 1997
9:30 a.m. Youth meet at church for trip
to Emerald Pointe- don't forget Permission Slips!!
Aug. 9-10 - Cub Dad and Me
at Woodfield Scout Preservation

The altar flowers are given in joy and love by Arch and Liz Aitcheson in thanksgiving for the love and warmth this congregation has shown them in the pa four and one half years. Arch is as excited about his ministry as he was in February of 1993. Liz truly fee "at home" in this community. God bless all of our "ministers"....every member of Elon College Community Church!


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Elon College Community Church
of the United Church of Christ
"Living Christ in Today's World"
August 10, 1997 Ten o'clock in the Morning

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PRELUDE "Onward Christian Soldiers"

WORSHIP GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRANSITION TO WORSHIP

✣ **HYMN** "Holy, Holy, Holy" **No. 277**

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

Liturgist: Heidi Danieley

Hebrew Lesson: Psalm 130 Page 562 OT Pew Bible

Collect and Lighting of the Christ Candle

SERVICE OF FORGIVENESS

Call to Confession

Personal Prayer (pray in silence . . .)

Prayer of Confession

UNISON: LOVING GOD, WHO IS ANGERED BY EVIL'S HOI UPON US, HEAR OUR CONFESSION AS INDIVIDUALS AND A YOUR CHURCH. WE HAVE FAILED YOU WHEN WE TURN FROM THE GOOD NEWS YOU OFFER. WE HAVE HURT YOU AND OURSELVES WHEN WE HAVE HURT OTHERS. WE HAVE IGNORED YOUR TRUTH, WHEN WE HAVE BEEN DECEITFUL. TRANSFORM US BY YOUR GRACE, THAT WE MIGHT HEAR YOUR WORD, LIVE IN PEACE WITH ONE ANOTHER, AND SEEK YOUR TRUTH. LET YOUR MERCY SHOWN IN THE LIVING BREAD, JESUS CHRIST, FEED US AN CHALLENGE US. AMEN.

Words of Assurance

✣Passing of the Peace

L: The Peace of Christ be with you;

P: And also with you.

(Extend the hand of peace to those seated near you...)

✣ Gloria Patri (Traditional words) tune No. 759

SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING

The Call to Give

Offertory Hymn: "Break Now the Bread of Life" No. 321

✣**Doxology (No. 780) and Presentation of Gifts**

✣Offertory Prayer of Dedication

Eagle Scout Court of Honor
August 10, 1997
Elon College Community Church
As presented by Troop 75 Boy Scouts of America
for Candidate, Matthew Woody

Introduction ..... Rev. Arch Aitcheson

Declaration ..... Mr. Joe F. Higgins, Scout Leader

Prayer of Guidance.....Rev. Aitcheson

The Eagle Award .....Mrs. Nancy Sartin, Scout Leader

Meaning of the Eagle Award..... Mr. John Moore, Eagle Scout Honor Guard

Reaffirmation ..... Mr. David L. Higgins, Scout Leader & Matthew Woody

Eagle Charge ..... Mr. David Higgins

Presentation of the Award ..... Mr. David Higgins

Reading of Congratulatory Letters ... Mrs. Sartin

Closing ..... Mr. David Higgins

Prayer ..... Rev. Aitcheson

It's Only A Pin

Two fond parents watch their boy where he stands,
Apart from his comrades tonight,
And see placed on his camp-battered tunic, a badge . . .
An Eagle . . . the emblem of right.

It seems just a few short months have passed
Since he joined with the youngsters next door . . .
How proud they were then of their Tenderfoot pin
As they told of the message it bore.

But the years have gone as he struggled along
To learn what the Scout Law's about;
He practiced them daily, the Oath and the Law,
Until now he is an Eagle Scout.

You may smile in your worldly old wisdom at this
and say, "Why, it's only a pin."
But I'll tell you no honors he'll gain as a man
Will mean quite so much to him.

The red, white and blue of the ribbon you see
Are the symbols of honor and truth.
He has learned how to value these fine attributes
In the glorious days of his youth.

And the out-flinging wings of the Eagle that rests
On the breast of the Eagle today
Are the things which will lift him above petty deeds,
And guide him along the right way.

Yes, it's only a pin, just an Eagle Scout badge,
But the heart beneath it beats true,
And will throb to the last for the things that are good;
A lesson for me . . . and for you.

EAGLE SCOUT COURT OF HONOR (See Insert . . .)

GOSPEL LESSON John 6:35; 41-51 Page 96-97 NT Pew Bible

SERMON "Living Bread"

Arch Aitcheson , Pastor & Teacher

FELLOWSHIP OF PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER (Trespasses . . .)

✣**HYMN** "O Bread of Life " No. 333

✣**BENEDICTION**

✣**POSTLUDE** "Hymn to Joy"

✣**You are Invited to Stand at these moments**

Prayer List for the Week

Lanie Hayes	Carey Andes	Dawn Shepherd	Nancy Welborn
Ruth Marlowe	Lorrain Linton	Katie Dudziec	Anne Pope
Allison Meincke	Marie Laughter	Julie Thayler	Lacala Oakes
Alice Eure	Cleone Tickle	The Woody Family	

To add your loved one to the prayer chain call 584-0391

☺ Greeters today are Biff and Doris Brafford.

☺ Our Acolytes today are David Brown and Megan Brown.

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110	$4,062.75	$4,500.00 /week

AC/ETC Gifts: $725.00

The Church Staff

Rev. Arch Aitcheson,	Past
Dr. William J. Andes,	Pastor Emeritu
Ms. Rebecca Peeler,	Director of Christian Educatio
Mr. Richard Neubauer,	Organi
Mrs. Betty Dillashaw,	Accompani
Mrs. Liz Aitcheson,	Choral Direct
Mrs. Diane M. Jones,	Office Manag

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WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY, August 10, 1997
10:00 a.m. Worship Service/11:00 a.m. Sunday School
6:30 p.m. Church Night

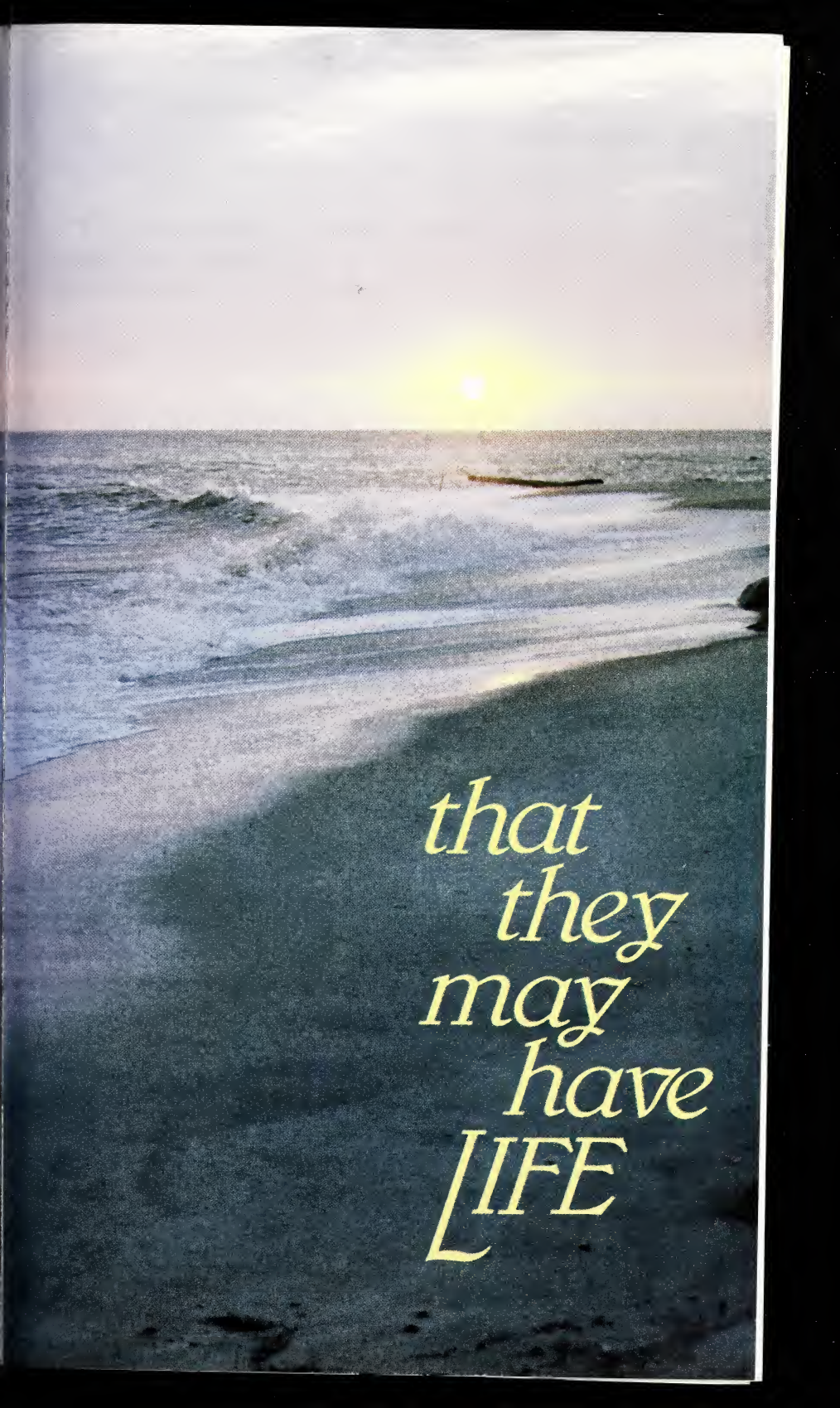
TUESDAY, August 12, 1997
10:30 a.m. Church Staff Meeting - Library
7:30 p.m. Parents of Troubled Teens Support Group

WEDNESDAY, August 13, 1997
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir
8:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous

THURSDAY, August 14, 1997
6:30 p.m. Picnic and Vespers

The altar flowers are given with love and pride to honor Eagle Scout Matthew Woody, and in celebrati of the life of Eagle Scout Rob Woody by Emily, Patricia, and Robin Woody.

Our prelude this morning is played by Marie Acquilano, a church member and a recent graduate Williams High School. Marie will be attending East Carolina University this fall. We appreciate her sharin her talent with us and we wish her well in her new adventure in college.


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LIFE

Elon College Community Church
of the United Church of Christ
"Living Christ in Today's World"
August 11, 1997 Eleven o'clock in the Morning
A Celebration of Life for Carey Elizabeth Andes
May 4, 1914 to August 7, 1997
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PRELUDES

***HYMN OF FAITH** **"Guide Me, O My Great Redeemer" No. 1**

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Pastor: God is near to all who call, who call from thei hearts.

PEOPLE: THE DESIRES OF THOSE WHO FEAR GOD ARE FULFILLED!

Pastor: I am the resurrection and the life; all who believe in me, though they die,

PEOPLE: YET SHALL THEY LIVE, AND WHOEVE LIVES AND BELIEVES IN ME SHALL NEVER DIE!

Pastor: Blessed are the dead who die in Christ!

PEOPLE: "BLESSED INDEED," SAYS THE SPIRIT, "THAT THEY MAY REST FROM THEIR LABORS, FO THEIR DEEDS FOLLOW THEM!"

Pastor: This is the Word of God! Alleluia!

GREETING

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

SOLO **" I know That My Redeemer Liveth"** **Handel**

HEBREW LESSONS

Isaiah 55

Psalm 139: 1 - 18

SOLO "The Trumpet Shall Sound" Handel

GOSPEL LESSONS
John 16: 16 - 22
Matthew 25: 31 - 46

CELEBRATION OF LIFE

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND COMMENDATION
THE LORD'S PRAYER

***HYMN OF HOPE** "The Day of Resurrection" No. 245

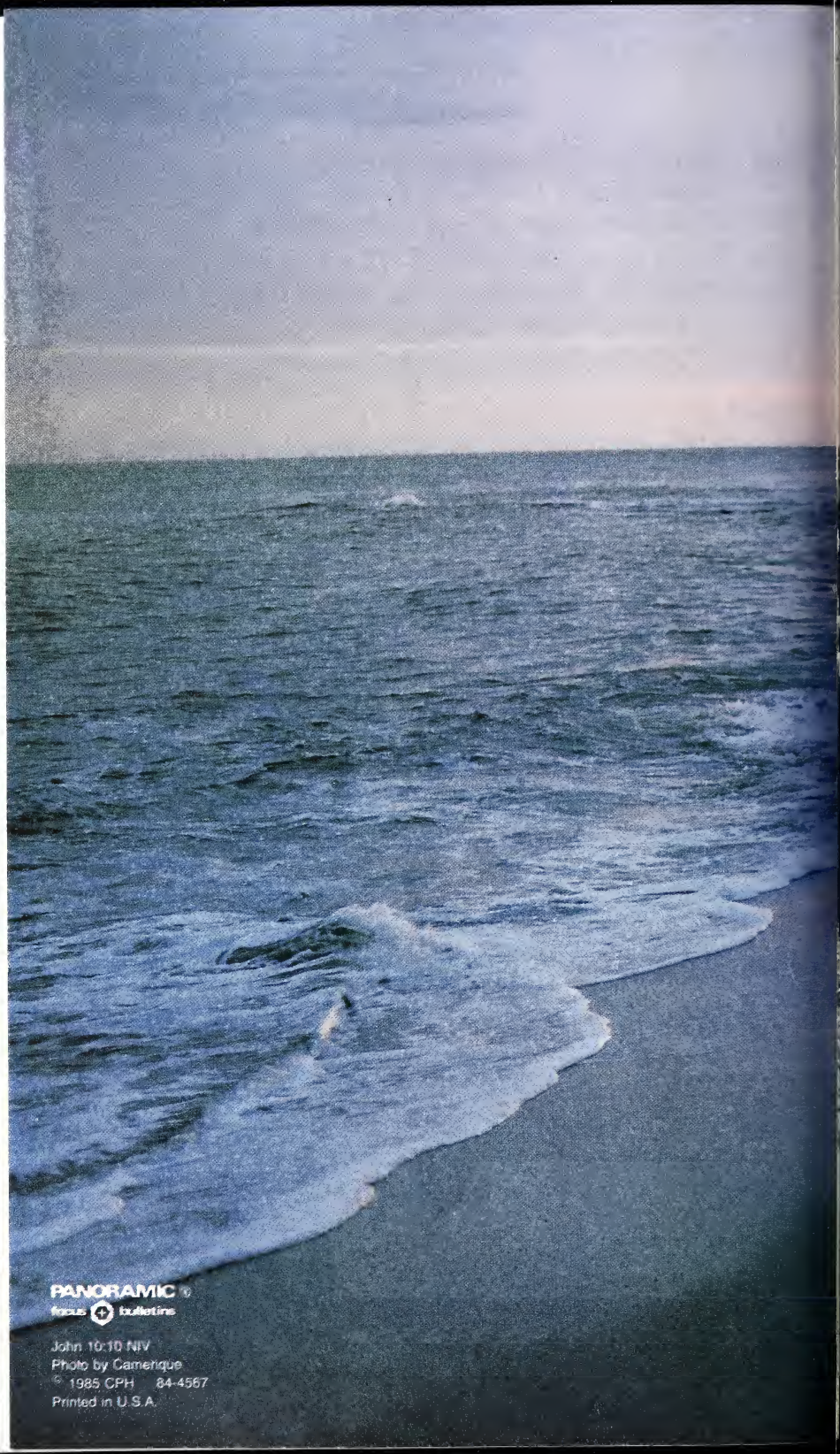
GRAVESIDE SERVICE AT MAGNOLIA CEMETERY
Opening Sentences
Committal
Lord's Prayer
Closing Prayer and Benediction

The family of Carey Andes thank all who have shown their kindnesses to them during Carey's illness and in these first days of grief. They appreciate those who celebrate her life in this time of worship.

Participants in today's Service:
Rev. Elizabeth Kennett, First Christian United Church of Christ, Burlington, N.C.
Rev. Arch Aitcheson, Elon College Community Church
Dr. Richard Apperson, guest organist and pianist
Dr. Ray Covington, soloist

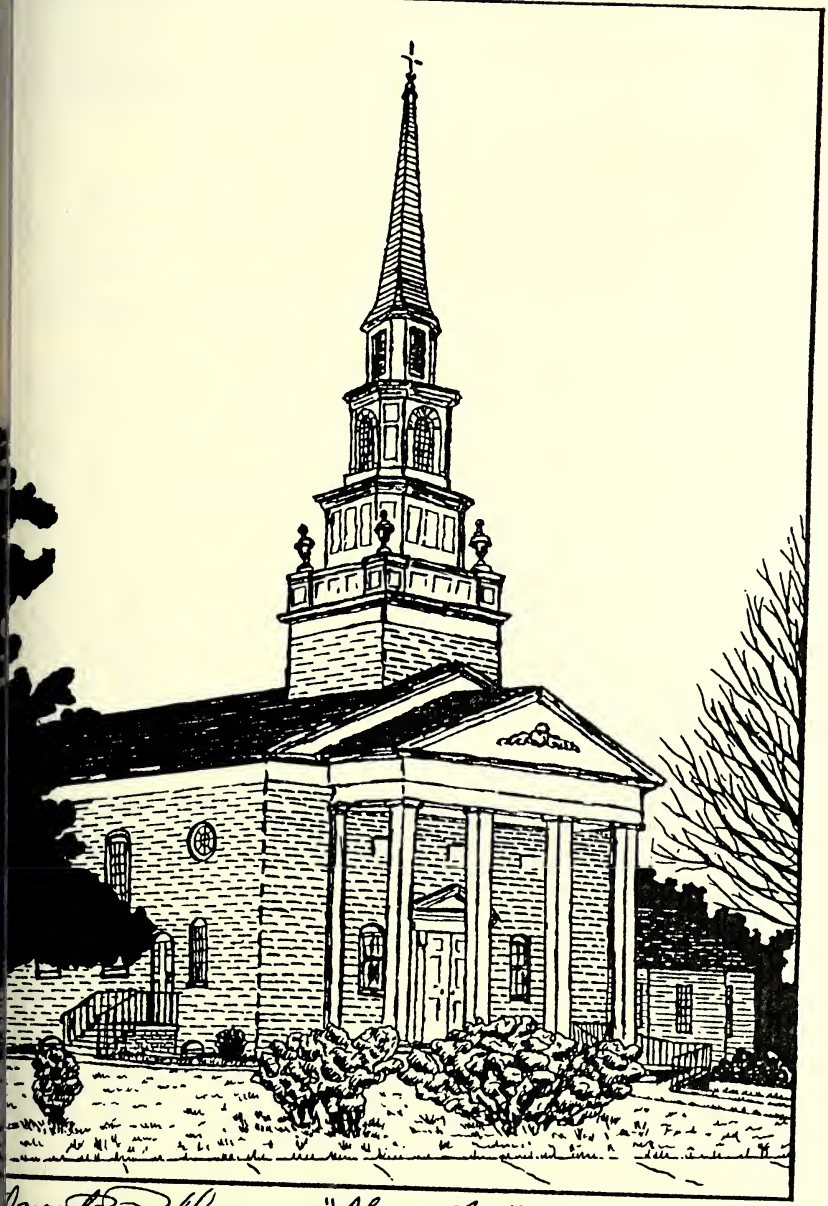
Pall Bearers:

Mike White	John Truitt	Steve Perry
David Harper	Biff Brafford	Ralph Oxford



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John 10:10 NIV
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Dorothy R. Dubbs "Above Elon"

Elon College Community Church
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"Living Christ in Today's World"
August 17, 1997 Ten o'clock in the Morning

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PRELUDE "Suo-gan" White

WORSHIP GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRANSITION TO WORSHIP

✣ **HYMN** **"When Morning Guilds the Skies"** **No. 86**

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

Liturgist: Bernice Harclerode
Hebrew Lesson: Psalm 111 Page 551 OT Pew Bible
Collect and Lighting of the Christ Candle

SERVICE OF FORGIVENESS

Call to Confession
Personal Prayer (pray in silence . . .)
Prayer of Confession No. 838 Back of the Hymnal
Words of Assurance
✣Passing of the Peace
L: The Peace of Christ be with you;
P: And also with you.
(Extend the hand of peace to those seated near you...)
✣ Gloria Patri (Traditional words) tune No. 759

SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING

The Call to Give
Offertory Anthem: "Amazing Grace"
Guest Soloist, Dr. Ray Covington
✣**Doxology (No. 780) and Presentation of Gifts**
✣Offertory Prayer of Dedication

CHILDREN'S TIME "Everything Has Its Time" Ecclesiastes 3:1-1

EPISTLE LESSON **Ephesians 5: 15-20 Page 191 NT Pew Bible**

SERMON "Making the Most of Time!"
Arch Aitcheson , Pastor & Teacher

FELLOWSHIP OF PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER
(Trespasses . . .)

✣**HYMN** **"Glorious Things of You Are Spoken"** **No. 307**

✣**BENEDICTION**

WELCOME TO THE MEMBERS OF THE ELON COLLEGE FOOTBALL TEAM

The Fighting Christians

The Church Family at Elon College Community Church of the United Church of Christ celebrates this opportunity to invite you to our spiritual center and our worship experience. For many years we have shared a special relationship with Elon College which was founded by the men and women who also founded our faith community. We open the doors of our Meeting House to people from many backgrounds and faith traditions. The passing of the peace of Christ in worship is more than a worship ritual. It is a genuine sign of the love and support we feel for those who join us in this sanctuary for worship and fellowship.

We hope your year is successful. We also hope that you will feel free to join us for any or all of the worship and fellowship opportunities here at Elon College Community Church. Of course we will keep you in our prayers!

Allied Churches Shelter - Volunteers to assist in shifts over night at the Homeless Shelter in Burlington every FIRST TUESDAY of each month .

Terrific Thursdays Children's Program - volunteers to work one on one with children providing recreation, crafts, music experience in a Christian framework.

Music:

Chancel Choir: Rehearsals every Wednesday Night at 7:30 PM on the lower hall of the main building.

Handbell Choirs Sunday Evenings

HOMECOMING October 12 . . . Morning Worship and Covered Dish Luncheon!

Elon College Family Weekend Worship at 8:30 AM and 11:00 Am September 21, 1997

Bring your family here for one of the worship services!

Speak to the pastor if you want to know more about any of these opportunities!

Other Information

Need a listening ear?

Pastor Arch Aitcheson can be reached at 584-0391 (except on Wednesdays) evenings at 449-5322

Director of Christian Education & Program, Becky Peeler can be reached at 584-0391 (except on Fridays)

Our Office Manager is Mrs. Diane Jones 584-0391

Music Department Contacts:

1997 Elon College Football Squad

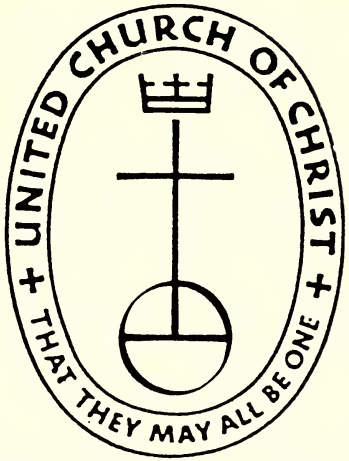
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The office is located in the back of the main building. Enter through the doors opposite the White Building (Parish House).

Church Office is open from 8:30 AM to 1:30 PM Monday Through Friday

Visit us often and participate in any and all of our activities!
Our Church Mission Statement: "Living Christ in Today's World!"



Roman Catholic Services in the Parish House (White Building)
Begins August 24 at 7:00 PM

Thursday Evening Vespers 7:00 PM on the Church Lawn (or Parish House in rainy weather!) through September 18.

Learning Opportunities

Sunday School (August 24 and 31): following worship 11:00 AM
{On the 24th the meeting will be in the Parish House . . .}
Sunday School (September 7 on . . .) : 9:45 AM
Young Adult Class begins at 4:00 PM on September 7
Thursday Morning Breakfast Club Bible Study 7:30 AM
in the Church Library beginning September 11, 1997

Service Opportunities

Special Friday's Program -Volunteers to help provide respite care for children with special physical and/or mental needs. Providing Moms and Dads with some personal time! Every FIRST FRIDAY night 7:00 to 9:00 PM in the Parish House.

Allied Churches Shelter meal - serving the evening meal at the homeless shelter every FIRST FRIDAY night. Volunteers help with the serving and/or help prepare the food.

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United Church Retirement Homes, Inc.

An Expanding Ministry

Jnited Church Retirement Homes, Inc. is an expanding ninistry of the Southern Conference of the United Church of Christ. Since 1971, this ministry with and among older adults as expanded far beyond the original vision.

At present, over 600 residents are being served by over 400 taff persons, who are dedicated to "Adding Life To The Years" f older adults who are part of this wonderful ministry.

Jnited Church Retirement Homes was started because hurches and individuals were committed to providing high uality yet affordable retirement living opportunities and health are for older adults in the Southern Conference.

he ministry can only expand and grow if churches and dividuals continue to give generously to United Church etirement Homes.

For Information Regarding Wills, Gift Annuities, or other Gift Opportunities, please contact UCRH, Office of Development, at (704) 464-8264.

The Ministries of United Church Retirement Homes

Abernethy Center
Located in Newton, N. C., Abernethy Center is a total-life retirement cente which features cottages, duplexes, apartments, walking trails, Adult Da Care, and a quality health care unit on campus. Tel: (704) 464-8260

Piedmont Center
Located in Thomasville, N. C., Piedmont Center is currently marketing a fu spectrum of Independent Living and Assisted Living opportunities for olde adults. A quality health care unit is located on campus. Tel: (910) 472-2017

Lake Prince Center
This Continuing Care Retirement Community is being planned for a site o Kings Fork Road in Suffolk, Virginia. Major work on the construction c utilities is underway. For Information Call (704) 464--8264.

UCC Living Center
Covenant Place, a 40-unit apartment building funding by the HUD 20 program, is under construction in Carrboro-Chapel Hill. Shepherd Place an Assisted Living residence funded by the HUD 232 program, is also unde construction at the same location. This is a UCRH project co-sponsore with the United Church and New Covenant UCC of Chapel Hill.

Willow Terrace
This 40-unit HUD 202 financed apartment building is to be constructed i Burlington, N. C. This is a UCRH project co-sponsored with First Reforme UCC of Burlington.

The Gift and Thrift Shop
United Church Retirement Homes operates a resale shop in downtow Newton called the Gift and Thrift Shop. Residents, churches, and friend are encouraged to donate items to the shop. All proceeds beyond costs a placed in the Corporation's Benevolent Trust Fund, which assists residen who outlive their assets.

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Newton, North Carolina 28658
Tel: (704) 464-8264
Fax: (704) 465-8537
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ADDING LIFE TO YEARS

✣**POSTLUDE** "Aurelia"

✣**You are Invited to Stand at these moments**

Prayer List for the Week

Lanie Hayes Dawn Shepherd Nancy Welborn Ruth Marlowe
Lorrain Linton Katie Dudziec Anne Pope Allison Meincke
Marie Laughter Julie Thayler Lacala Oakes Alice Eure
Cleone Tickle Scott Dollar Scott Floyd & Family

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	AC/ETC Gifts: $ 728.00	

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Ms. Rebecca Peeler,	Director of Christian Education
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Mrs. Betty Dillashaw,	Accompanist
Mrs. Liz Aitcheson,	Choral Director
Mrs. Diane M. Jones,	Office Manager

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WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY, August 17, 1997
10:00 a.m. Worship Service/11:00 a.m. Sunday School
4:00 p.m. Teacher Orientation
5:00 p.m. Grief Support Network

MONDAY, August 18, 1997
12:00 Noon - TORCH Deadline
5:00 p.m. Cub Scout Pool Party

TUESDAY, August 19, 1997
10:30 a.m. Church Staff Meeting - Library
7:30 p.m. Parents of Troubled Teens Support Group

WEDNESDAY, August 20, 1997
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir
8:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous

THURSDAY, August 21, 1997
6:30 p.m. Picnic and Vespers

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in celebration of the lives of Rev. and Mrs. E. O. Peeler by Becky Peeler.

Our Wedding Day



We Are Blessed With
Friendship, Love, Each Other

The Wedding Ceremony for
Kenneth Dean Andrews and Shelby Jean Heath
Saturday, August 16, 1997 Noon
Elon College Community Church, U.C.C.

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PRELUDES "You and I" Barbara Steisand
"Endless Love" D. Ross & L. Richie
"Keeper of the Stars" Tracey Bird

SOLO "Grow Old With Me" (M. C. Carpenter)
sung by Wendy Murphy

PROCESSIONAL

CALL TO WORSHIP

***CONGREGATIONAL HYMN** **No. 351**
"I Was There To Hear Your Bourning Cry"

READING "Love" from The Prophet by Kahlil Gibran

ADDRESS AND DECLARATION

PRAYER OF INVOCATION & THE LORD'S PRAYER

BETROTHAL STATEMENTS

PRESENTATION OF THE COUPLE

SOLO
"One Hand One Heart" (L. Bernstein) sung by Wendy Murphy

MARRIAGE VOWS & PRAYER OF BLESSING

THE RING CEREMONY

PRONOUNCEMENT & WEDDING KISS

CANDLELIGHTING CEREMONY
Music: "Everything I Do For You" Bryan Adams

INTRODUCTION OF THE COUPLE & BENEDICTION

POSTLUDES

The Wedding Party

Parents of the Bride	John & Marie Heath, Sr.
Parents of the Groom	Vic and Kathy Andrews
Bride's Grandparents	Harry Mabe, Sr.
	the late Margaret P. Mabe
	the late William & Euna HEath
Grooms Granpparents	Lloyd & Mary Ward
	Jim & Pat Self
	the late David Andrews
Maid of Honor	Lisha Mabe
Best Man	Chris Sparks
Bride's Maids	Melissa Toomel
	Halina Kraszewski
	Wendy Murphy
Flower Girl	Merideth Wooten
Groomsmen	Steve Thomas
	Wally Williams, Jr.
	Michael Millikan
Ring Bearer	Justin Mabe
Junior ring Bearer	David Andrews
Greeter	Harry Mabe, Jr.
Bride's Escort	John Heath, Jr.
Program	Weronika Kraszewski
Guest Registrar	Pam Smith
Directors	Elisabeth Aitcheson
	Pat Millikan
Pastor	Rev. Arch Aitcheson
Pianist	Betty Dillashaw
Photographer & Videographer	Mark & Todd Jones

From the Shelby and Kenneth:

The four flower baskets at the Altar are in loving memory o our deceased Grandparents, William and Euna Heath, Margaret P. Mabe, and David Andrews and in loving memory of our uncle, Perry Andrews.

We are saddened that they are not here to share this day with us, but we know that they are watching over us with a smile.

We want to thank each of you for coming and sharing this day with us and our parents. You have helped make this wonderful day brighter by your presence!

Love,
Kenneth and Shelby

A Short Story

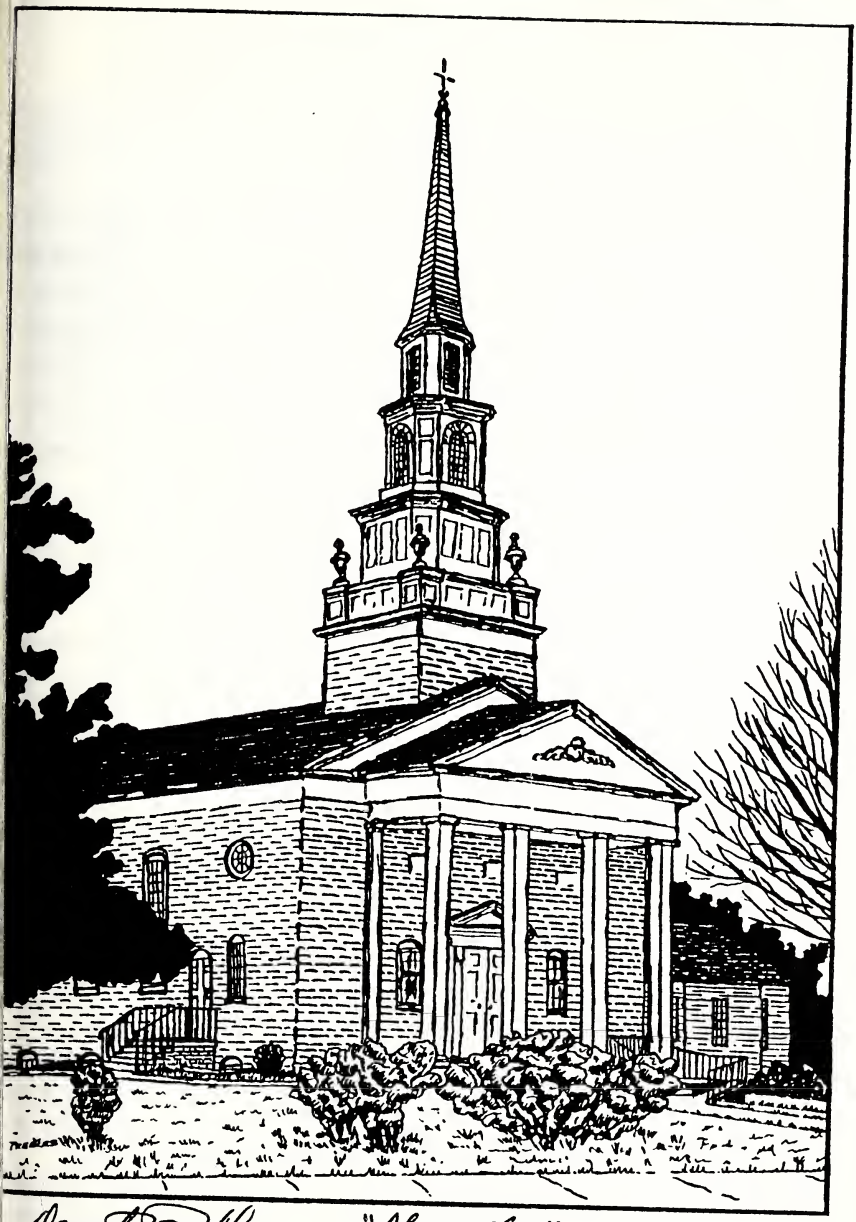
Kenneth and Shelby's first date was on August 19, 1991. They attended High School together, and Kenneth swears that he asked Shelby out, but she has no memory of it.

After several years of dating an unexpected bundle of joy came to them. David Tyler Andrews was born on April 13, 1996 and looks more and more like his Daddy with each passing day. He was named after his late Great-grandfather, David Victor Andrews.

Thank you for celebrating the joy of this day with our family!

The Proud Parents,
John and Marie Heath, Sr.
Vic and Kathy Andrews

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"Living Christ in Today's World"
August 24, 1997 Ten o'clock in the Morning

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GOSPEL LESSON John 6: 66-69 Page 95-96 NT Pew Bible

SERMON "Demanding Good Service or Serving God?"
Arch Aitcheson , Pastor & Teacher

FELLOWSHIP OF PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRAYER RESPONSE "Breathe on Me Breath of God"

✣**HYMN** "Be Now My Vision" No. 451

✣**BENEDICTION**

CHORAL BLESSING "Amen"

✣**POSTLUDE** "El Nathan/Hudson"

✣**You are Invited to Stand at these moments**

Prayer List for the Week

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llison Meincke Marie Laughter Julie Thayler Lacala Oakes
cott Dollar Cleone Tickle Earl Parker Dave & Edna Tobin

To add your loved one to the prayer chain call 584-0391

Greeters today are Wally and Nell Snyder.

Our Acolytes today are Rebecca Perry and Miranda Rich.

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OUR SUMMER SERVICE SCHEDULE WILL CONTINUE ROUGH NEXT SUNDAY WITH WORSHIP AT 10:00 A.M. THE EKERS' CLASS, CHILDREN AND YOUTH CLASSES WILL MEET AT 00 A.M. 11:00 SERVICES RESUME ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7!

Today is PROMOTION SUNDAY for MEMBERS of our Sunday ool Program. We WELCOME back our children and families as a new day School year begins.

Church Family Statistics

ndance Last Sunday	Offering	Offering Needed
228	$4,404.60	$4,500.00 /week

AC/ETC Gifts: $360.00

The Church Staff

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Mr. Richard Neubauer,	Orga t
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WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY, August 24, 1997
10:00 a.m. Worship Service/11:00 a.m. Sunday School
Promotion Sunday for Sunday School
7:00 p.m. Catholic Mass - Parish House
Scout Leaders Mtg.

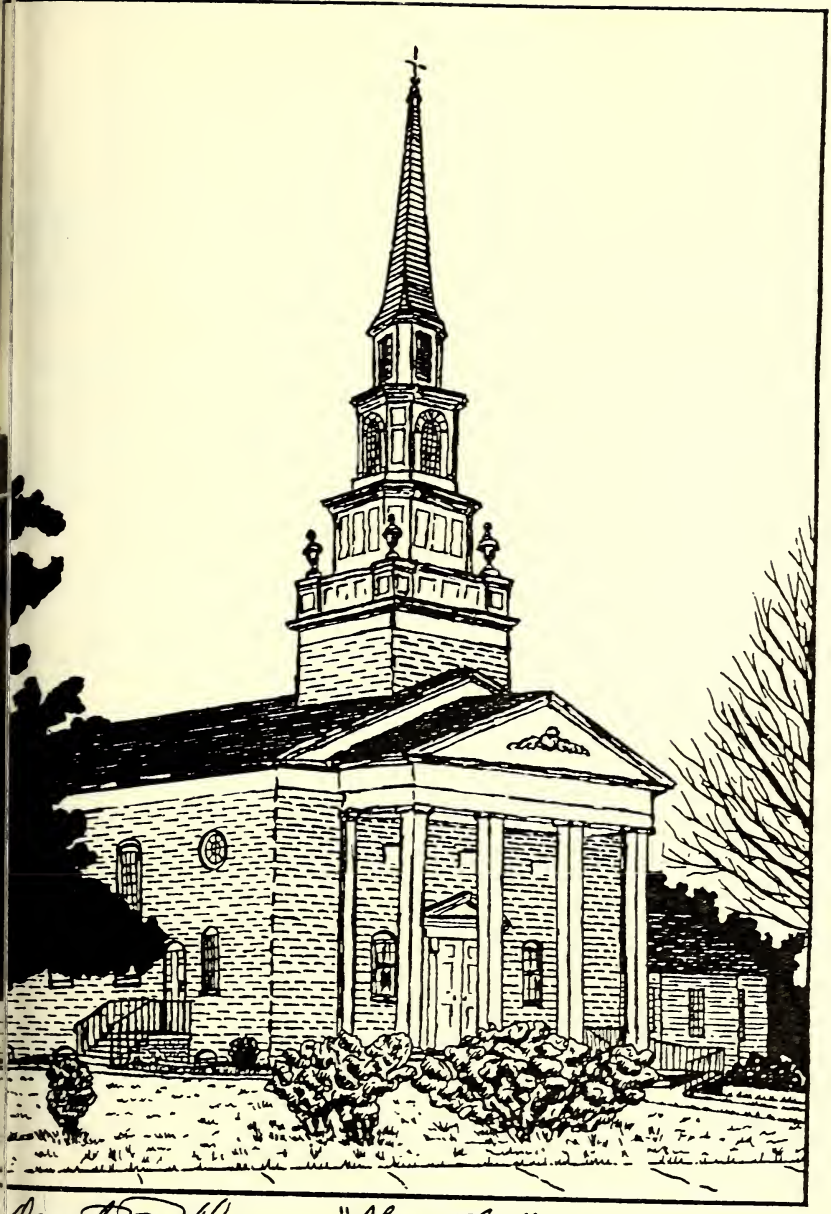
MONDAY, August 25, 1997
7:30 p.m. Stephen Ministry Supervision

TUESDAY, August 26, 1997
10:30 a.m. Church Staff Meeting - Library
7:30 p.m. Parents of Troubled Teens Support Group

WEDNESDAY, August 27, 1997
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir
8:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous

THURSDAY, August 28, 1997
6:30 p.m. Picnic and Vespers

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and celebration of the lives of our parents, Ruth and Bradley Raker and Carrol and Lucille Modlin by Barr and Linda Raker.



"Above Elon"

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PRELUDE "I Walked Today Where Jesus Walked" O'Hara
Betty Dillashaw, Keyboard

WORSHIP GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRANSITION TO WORSHIP

CHORAL INTROIT "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

✣ **HYMN** **"Awake, My Soul"** **No. 491**

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

Liturgist: Joe Mattern
Hebrew Lesson: Deuteronomy 4:1-2; 6-9 Page 159-160 OT Pew Bi
Collect and Lighting of the Christ Candle

SERVICE OF FORGIVENESS

Call to Confession
Personal Prayer (pray in silence . . .)
Prayer of Confession No. 831 Back of the Hymnal
Words of Assurance
✣Passing of the Peace
L: The Peace of Christ be with you;
P: And also with you.
(Extend the hand of peace to those seated near you...)
✣ Gloria Patri (Traditional words) tune No. 7

CHORAL ANTHEM "The Gift of Love" Hal Hopso
Tom Conally, Soloist

SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING

The Call to Give
Offertory Hymn: **"God's Eye Is On the Sparrow" vs. 1 & 3** **No. 47**
✣**Doxology (No. 780) and Presentation of Gifts**
✣Offertory Prayer of Dedication

CHILDREN'S TIME: "Listen Christian!"

EPISTLE LESSON James 1: 22-27 Page 224 NT Pew Bible

SERMON "Responding to What You Hear"
Arch Aitcheson , Pastor & Teacher

FELLOWSHIP OF PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRAYER RESPONSE "Breathe on Me Breath of God"

1997-1998

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The Board of Evangelism proposes to establish such groups again this year. They plan to have approximately 10-12 people in each group and they plan to name the groups at their next meeting, September 14.

If you are interested in participating in one of the groups, please give your name, telephone number and address.

YES, I (or we) wish to participate this year.

NAME_____ Telephone_____

ADDRESS: _____

Sunday, August 31

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost
(Proper 17), Year B



Gracious God, enspirit us that we might catch a vision of where you want us to go, be with us in our praying and in our planning, that we might step aboard the ship called mission. Enable us to catch the Spirit's mission wind that billow the sails and send a congregation to set out where Christ is calling, "Come, follow me."
The Rev. Russell Mitman

"Mission is not something we do," writes the Rev. Russell Mitman, Conferen Minister of the Penn Southeast Conference, "Mission is catching on to th mission God already is doing in the world around us."

As so often happens, this sacred mission is revealed in dramatic and surprising w Take, for example, the Christian Network Outreach of the United Church of Christ Norristown, Pennsylvania, which joined the United Church of Christ in 1996.

"In the fall of 1994 Trinity Church, Norristown, decided to die," Russell writes. congregation had lost a vision of what they could do there at 1001 Swede Street; t tried so hard, and they were so tired trying to keep the doors open and the roof pat We had a funeral service for this elegant lady on September 24, 1995, and the con tion handed over the keys with a big red "T" to remind me of Trinity on the key ri

"The next week I received a phone call. 'Do you have any space to rent? We're church down the street and we're running out of room.'

"'Well, let's sit down together and talk,'" I said. The appointed day for the mee came. The folks from the Christian Network Outreach Church were standing on t street corner when I pulled up--a half hour late. I took the key ring with the "T" o my briefcase and stuck the key in the door. And sirens started shrieking, and the p cruisers with blaring sirens and flashing lights converged on the scene of the crim forgotten about the burglar alarm and didn't know how to disarm it.

"And so, while the police cruisers waited outside and the alarm sirens kept blari away and the neighbors looked out their windows, Pastor Bruce Allen and the dea and deaconesses and I sat down at the table together. And it took but a few minut discover that we were not about a rental agreement but a mission convenant. The Conference had a building; the congregation already had begun a mission of outre that community and had a vision of what God would yet be doing there. A missio covenant began that day. The spiriting of a congregation and the re-spiriting of a ful old church building--that's what we were about, and the sirens kept blaring to all who had ears to hear that God is doing a new thing in Norristown.

"The Spirit is moving over the faces of our communities. Churches need to ope door, not simply to welcome the newcomers, but to send the old-timers out into th mission fields to meet the new neighbors yearning to hear the old, old story of Jes his love that's brand new good news for them. The mission of Pennsylvania Sout Conference is to be about the spiriting of congregations for mission."

The address of the Pennsylvania Southeast Conference is 505 Second Avenue, B Collegeville, Pennsylvania 19426.

✢HYMN "O Jesus, I Have Promised" No. 493

✢BENEDICTION

CHORAL BLESSING "Amen"

✢POSTLUDE "Ten Thousand Times Ten Thousand"
Betty Dillashaw, Keyboard

✢You are Invited to Stand at these moments

Prayer List for the Week

Janie Hayes Nancy Welborn Ruth Marlowe Lorrain Linton
Marie Laughter Julie Thayler Lacala Oakes Cleone Tickle
Carl Parker Scott Dollar Scott Floyd Family Sister Jane Brady
Carolyn Cummings Dave and Edna Tobin

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Greeters today are Eddie and Patsy Oliver.

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OUR SUMMER SERVICE SCHEDULE ends with today's worship service. Next Sunday, Christian Education Classes begin at 9:45 a.m. followed by worship at 11:00 a.m. Please make note of the changes!

Church Family Statistics

Attendance Last Sunday	Offering	Offering Needed
118	$ 2,083.69	$ 4,500.00 /week

AC/ETC Gifts: $137.78

The Church Staff

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Dr. William J. Andes,	Pastor Emeritus
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WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY, August 31, 1997
10:00 a.m. Worship Service/11:00 a.m. Sunday School
7:00 p.m. Catholic Mass - Parish House

MONDAY, September 1, 1997
Labor Day - Church Office Closed

TUESDAY, September 2, 1997
10:30 a.m. Church Staff Meeting - Library
7:30 p.m. Parents of Troubled Teens Support Group

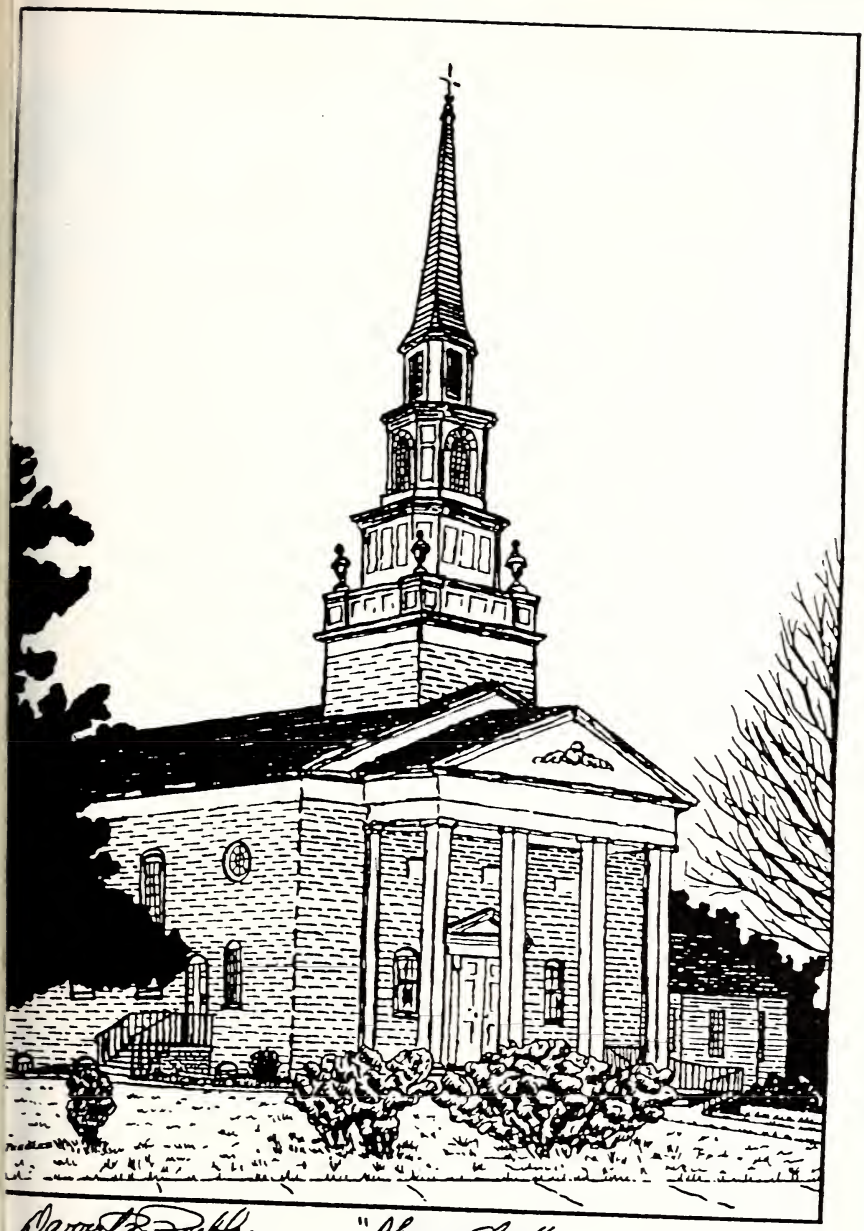
WEDNESDAY, September 3, 1997
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir
8:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous

THURSDAY, September 4, 1997
6:30 p.m. Picnic and Vespers

FRIDAY, September 5, 1997
7:00 p.m. Special Fridays

SATURDAY, September 6, 1997
10:30 a.m. Acolyte Training

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of Chester Huey and Elna Doris Huey by Josie Huey.



Darcy R. Dibbles "Above Elon"

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September 7, 1997 Eleven o'clock in the Morning

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HELP!

HOMECOMING 1997 will be held on Sunday, October 12, 1997. This year your Church Council wants to honor those who have been members of this church for 50 years or more! Help us to find you and to avoid missing anyone!

If you or a friend or family member fit that category fill out the information below and send it to the church office, or you may telephone us at 584-8147 and give us the information!

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Name:

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MailingAddress:

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Phone:

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NAME_____Telephone_____

ADDRESS: _____

Invitation & Prayer of Invocation
Communion Anthem: "Miracle of Life"
Breaking Bread & Sharing the Cup
Prayer of Thankfulness and The Lord's Prayer (Trespasses)
PRAYER RESPONSE "Breathe on Me Breath of God"
HYMN "Be Known To Us In Breaking Bread" No. 342
BENEDICTION
CHORAL BLESSING "Amen"
POSTLUDE "Volte" Kimball

You are Invited to Stand at these moments

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9:45 a.m. Sunday School/11:00 a.m. Worship
1:30 p.m. Youth Fellowship
4:00 p.m. New Adult Sunday School Class
7:00 p.m. Catholic Mass

MONDAY, September 8,1997

7:00 p.m. Women's Fellowship General Mtg.
in Parish House
Scouts Mtg.

TUESDAY, September 9, 1997

10:30 a.m. Church Staff Meeting - Library
7:30 p.m. Parents of Troubled Teens Support Group

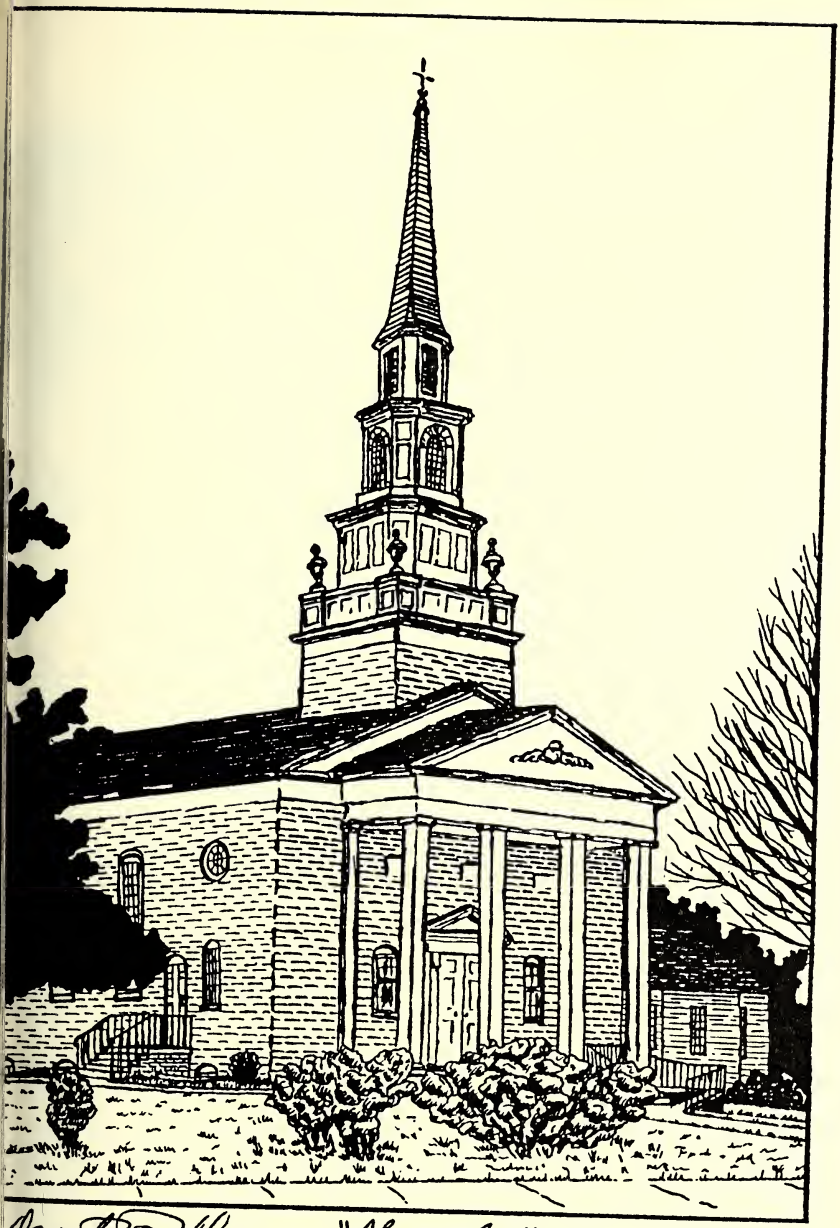
WEDNESDAY, September 10, 1997

7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal
8:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous

THURSDAY, September 11, 1997

7:30 a.m. Breakfast Bible Study
4:00 p.m. Terrific Thursdays
6:30 p.m. Vespers/Picnic

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Dorothy R. Dabbs "Above Elon"

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THE BURLINGTON AREA UCC LAYMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

NOTICE TO ALL CHURCHES

ie Dr. Leonard Simmons Memorial Golf Tournament will be on Saturday the 18th of October. This year we will play amrock Golf Course. Let me take this time to clarify a questions that have risen about the tournament. This wship outing is open to all, male and female, young and friends and families. We welcome everyone to share a fun outdoors with old friends and new friends. At this time is not a meal planned for that day. I will entertain uggestions. Also the tee times will be given on a first first serve basis. Please get your entry in early for best tee time. We need your entry fees ($28.00 per r) in right away to setup for our day. So don't wait the day of the tournament. Our young people are very tant to us and our future. So, please come and join the nd fellowship to help support our youth.

FF DATE: Wednesday, October 8th. Get your entry form in r call to make sure your team has a spot.

E MAKE ALL CHECKS PAYABLE TO UCC MENS FELLOWSHIP AND IT TO JOEY INGRAM, 2946 JUSTON DR, BURLINGTON,N.C. 27217
(910) 584-2762

r Name_____$_____
Name_____$_____
rs Name_____$_____
Name_____$_____

Total Enclosed$_____

ld like be a Hole Sponsor at $50.00. _____
ase print sponsor name;
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COME AND PLAY

LLOWSHIP FUN FRIENDS

DR. LEONARD SIMMONS MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

WHERE: Shamrock Golf Course, Burlington, N.C.

WHEN: Saturday, October 18TH Starting at 8AM.

FORMAT: Team Play,"Captain's Choice".

COST: $28.00 per player, which includes 18 hole green f
with cart, prizes for closest to the pins on marked par
and long drives.

ALL PROFITS GO TO OUR SCHOLARSHIP FUND

CUT OFF DATE: Wednesday, October 8th. Get your entry fo
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MAIL IT TO JOEY INGRAM, 2946 JUSTON DR, BURLINGTON,N.C. 2

CONTACT: Joey Ingram (910) 584-2762 -(leave message if c
before 5PM).

< Fill out below and send with your ch

Player Name_____HDCP_____$_____
or Name_____HDCP_____$_____
Players Name_____HDCP_____$_____
Name_____HDCP_____$_____
Total Enclosed$_____

*If you cannot play, Please consider one of the followin

-I can not play, but I would like to contribute $_____
to your scholarship fund.

-I cannot play, but I would like to be a sponsor. $ 5
Please print name of sponsor;_____
_____
or attach business card:

COME AND PLAY

FELLOWSHIP **FUN** **FRIENDS**

SERMON "The Awakening Call"
Arch Aitcheson , Pastor & Teacher

FELLOWSHIP OF PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER
(Trespasses . . .)

PRAYER RESPONSE "Breathe on Me Breath of God"

✣**HYMN** "God, Speak to Me" No. 531

✣**BENEDICTION**

CHORAL BLESSING "Amen"

✣**POSTLUDE** "Bradbury"

✣**You are Invited to Stand at these moments**

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SUNDAY, September 14, 1997
9:45 a.m. Sunday School/8:30 a.m./11:00 a.m. Worshi
6:30 p.m. Church Night
7:00 p.m. Catholic Mass

MONDAY, September 15,1997
12:00 Noon **TORCH DEADLINE**
7:00 p.m. Scouts

TUESDAY, September 16, 1997
10:30 a.m. Church Staff Meeting - Library
7:30 p.m. Parents of Troubled Teens Support Group

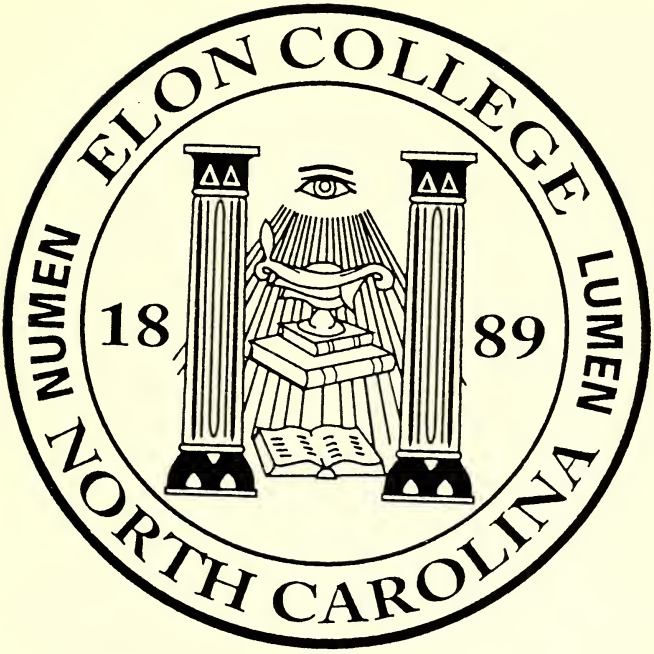
WEDNESDAY, September 17, 1997
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal
8:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous

THURSDAY, September 18, 1997
7:30 a.m. Breakfast Bible Study
4:00 p.m. Terrific Thursdays
6:30 p.m. Vespers/Picnic

FRIDAY, September 19, 1997
Family Week-end at Elon College

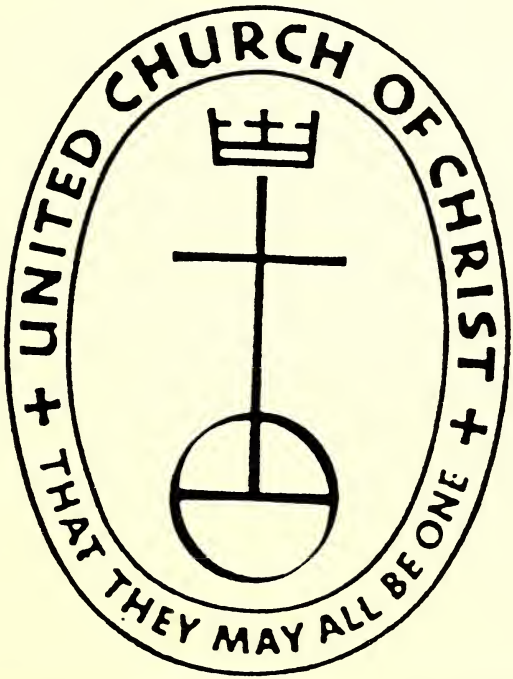
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College Community Church



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PRELUDE "All Hail the Power" Holden

WORSHIP GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT "This is the Day!" Elon College Gospel Choir and Chanc
Choir of Elon College Community Churc

✣ **HYMN** **"Rejoice! Give Thanks and Sing!"** **No. 303**

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

Liturgist: Rev. Richard McBride, Chaplain of Elon College
Hebrew Lesson: Psalm 1 Page 479 OT Pew Bible
Collect and Lighting of the Christ Candle

SERVICE OF FORGIVENESS Liturgist: Mr. Robin Woody

Call to Confession
Personal Prayer (pray in silence . . .)
Prayer of Confession
Words of Assurance
✣ Passing of the Peace
L: The Peace of Christ be with you;
P: And also with you.
(Extend the hand of peace to those seated near you.)

✣ Gloria Patri (Traditional words) tune No. 759

SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING

The Call to Give
Choral Anthem "We are Singing for the Lord is our Light"
Chancel Choir and Gospel Choir with the Congregation (see insert)
✣ **Doxology (No. 780) and Presentation of Gifts**
✣ Offertory Prayer of Dedication

Children in grade 2 and below are invited to attend the second hour program downstairs or remain as parents wish.

GOSPEL LESSON Mark 9: 30-37 Page 44 NT Pew Bible

ANTHEM "My Life is in Your Hands" Gospel Choir of Elon Colle

SERMON "In All that They Do . . . "
Arch Aitcheson , Pastor & Teacher

FELLOWSHIP OF PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER
(Trespasses . . .)

WELCOME TO THE STUDENTS AND FAMILIES OF ELON COLLEGE

The Church Family at Elon College Community Church of the United Church of Christ celebrates this opportunity to invite you to our spiritual center and our worship experience. For many years we have shared a special relationship with Elon College which was founded by the men and women who also founded our faith community. We open the doors of our Meeting House to people from many backgrounds and faith traditions. The passing of the peace of Christ in worship is more than a worship ritual. It is a genuine sign of the love and support we feel for those who join us in this sanctuary for worship and fellowship.

We hope your year is successful. We also hope that you will feel free to join us for any or all of the worship and fellowship opportunities here at Elon College Community Church. Of course we will keep you in our prayers!

RALLY SUNDAY September 28 . . . following morning worship a picnic event and games. Everyone is invited and is welcome to invite guests!

HOMECOMING October 12 . . . Morning Worship and Covered Dish Luncheon!

Speak to the pastor if you want to know more about any of these opportunities!

Other Information

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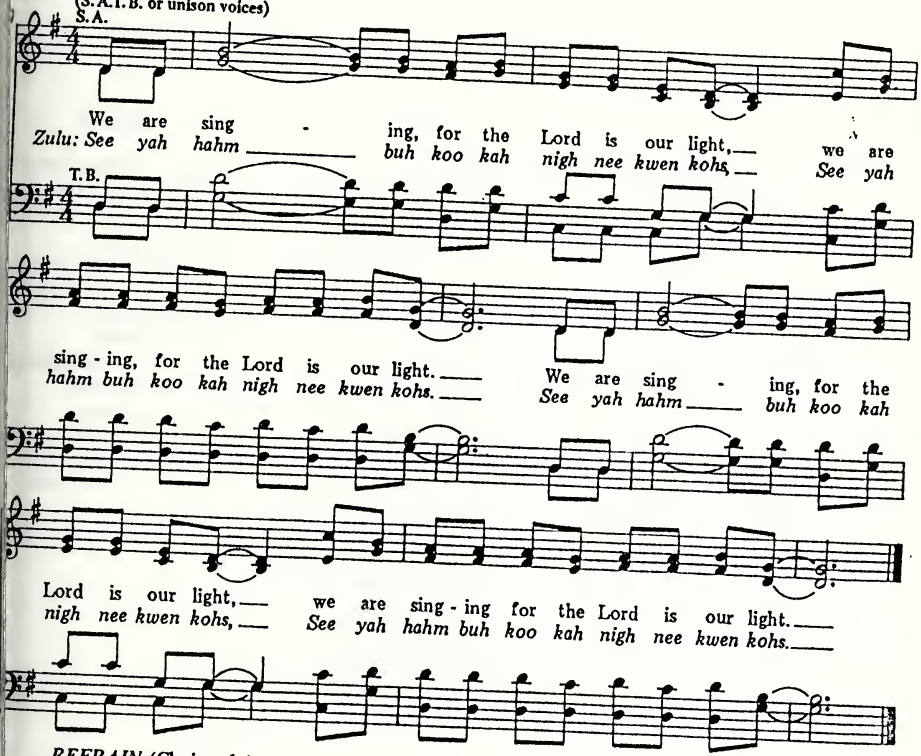
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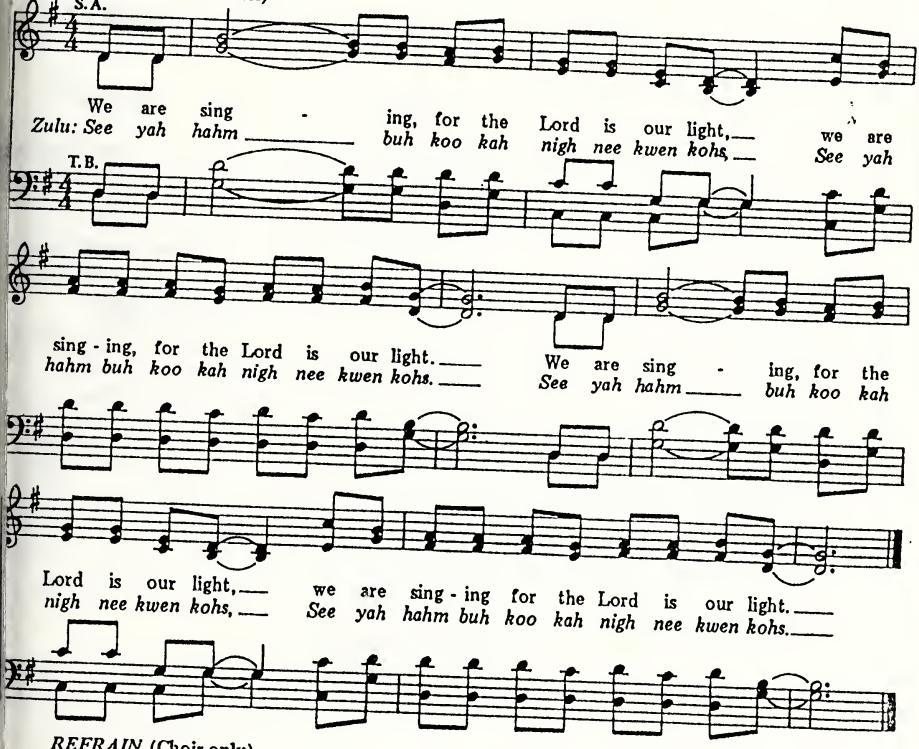
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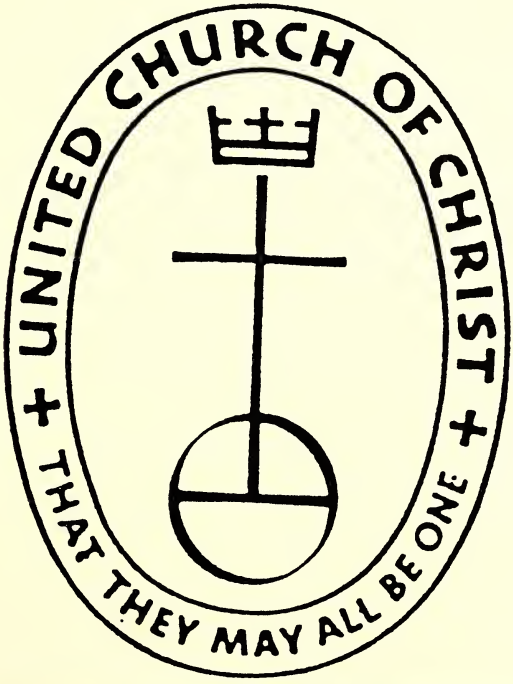
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"Living Christ in Today's World"
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PRELUDE "All Hail the Power" Holden

WORSHIP GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT "This is the Day!" Elon College Gospel Choir

✣ **HYMN** **"Rejoice, Give Thanks and Sing"** **No. 303**

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

Liturgist: Rev. Arch Aitcheson, Pastor
Hebrew Lesson: Psalm 1 Page 479 OT Pew Bible
Collect and Lighting of the Christ Candle

ANTHEM "Oh Happy Day" Elon College Gospel Choir

SERVICE OF FORGIVENESS

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The Call to Give
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✣**Doxology (No. 780) and Presentation of Gifts**
✣Offertory Prayer of Dedication

GOSPEL LESSON **Mark 9:30-37 Page 44 NT Pew Bible**

SERMON "Welcoming Children and Adults"
Rev. Richard McBride, Chaplain of Elon College

FELLOWSHIP OF PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER
(Trespasses . . .)

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We hope your year is successful. We also hope that you will feel free to join us for any or all of the worship and fellowship opportunities here at Elon College Community Church. Of course we will keep you in our prayers!

RALLY SUNDAY September 28 . . . following morning worship a picnic event and games. Everyone is invited and is welcome to invite guests!

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PRELUDE "How Great Thou Art" **Boberg**

WORSHIP GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRANSITION TO WORSHIP

CHORAL INTROIT "This Is The Day!"

✣ **HYMN** "God of Abraham & Sarah" **No. 20**

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BIBLE PRESENTATION (see white insert)

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SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING

The Call to Give
Choral Anthem: " Yet I Believe!" Martin/Martin.

TAKE THIS BIBLE....

THIRD GRADER
Michael Chatfield

MENTOR
Dick Rinker

Presenter: The story of who God is and how God has related to persons is told in the Bible. You are a valuable person, and we celebrate that on this day by giving you the gift of God's written word.

Parents: We are glad the church marks this step in a third grader's faith journey by the presentation of a Bible!

Presenter: Michael, take this Bible to study, learn, and enjoy as you grow physically and in understanding.

Presenter: Parents, mentors, and members of the congregation, will you assist this child by guiding him as he studies this Book, sharing your understanding of the Story of Faith, and involving him in settings where learning occurs?

Parents/Congregation: We recognize our responsibility and our privilege of sharing the faith and supporting this person as they study and grow. We pray for God's guidance and grace in this endeavor.

Let us pray (unison): Loving God, thank you for the Bible, our gift to be used for our learning. Help us to hear the words, and be changed by them so we may truly live Christ in today's world. Amen.

CONSECRATION OF TEACHERS AND OTHERS IN EDUCATIONAL MINISTRIES

Pastor: Brothers and sisters in Christ, we have gathered in the presence of God to covenant with and consecrate those who have responded to the call for a ministry of teaching. I invite those being consecrated to join me in the Covenant for the Ministry of Education:

Teachers & Education Leaders: As children of a faithful God, we teachers and planners for educational ministry commit ourselves to journey together with each other and with those who come to learn. We seek to grow in our own understanding of God and the community of creation. We offer compassion and caring for persons in pain. We celebrate with those who are joyful. We listen, we share, we laugh, and we cry. We pray with our co-learners; we make joyful noises when we cannot sing. We stretch our intellect to new heights and we sit on the rug to tell stories. We seek those who fall away and rejoice with those who come for the first time. We give fully of ourselves because we know that God in Christ gives fully of self to us.

Congregation: We also covenant to assume our obligation to support these persons by our prayers and our presence. We are grateful you have heard the call to the ministry of teaching.

Let us pray:
Pastor: Dear God, be present to all of us as we continue to invite persons to encounter You. Help us to fulfill our covenant, since we know you always fulfill your promises to us. "For once we were no people, but now we are Your people." Amen.

ORDER FOR THE RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Elon College Community Church
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INTRODUCTION OF THE NEW MEMBER'S CLASS

THE CONFESSION OF FAITH:

PASTOR: Dearly beloved, do you confess your faith in Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior, and make him your example? Do you take for your rule of life the words of the Gospel: **You shall love God, your Creator, with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength, and your neighbor as yourself?**

RESPONSE: **I do, with God as my helper!**

PASTOR: Do you hold to the beliefs of the United Church of Christ and to the covenant of this congregation? Do you strive to witness to that faith in this fellowship with your brothers and sisters in Christ?

RESPONSE: **I do, with God as my witness!**

PASTOR: Let us all affirm our faith in God, the Three-in-One, as we say in one voice the Statement of Faith that unites us in Christ!

✣ALL: **The United Church of Christ Statement of Faith (page 885 in the back of the Hymnal)**

PASTOR: I ask you now, in the presence of God and in

the company of this body of Christ, do you offer yourself to God's service without reservation? Do you seek to be a faithful and active member of this church? Ever mindful of the welfare of all members do you promise to walk with them in faithfulness and Christian love? Do you covenant with God and this church to attend worship, to observe the sacraments, to share in mission, as together we strive to make this a living body of Christ in today's world?

RESPONSE: **I do, with the help of the Holy Spirit!**

DEACON: I ask this congregation to please stand to welcome these brothers and sisters into the fellowship of this church. Join me in the words of welcome.

CONGREGATION: **We, your brothers and sisters in Jesus Christ, gladly welcome you into this family of Christ at the Elon College Community Church. We invite you to share with us the hopes, the labors, the dreams and the joys of our ministry together. We promise to walk with you in Christian love and empathy and to promote, as far as in us lies, growth in the Spirit and Life of Jesus Christ our Savior. May God keep us united in mission and faithful in the Holy Spirit as we work for that realm that is everlasting.**

RIGHT HAND OF FELLOWSHIP AND PRESENTATIONS

INTRODUCTION OF FRIENDSHIP SPONSORS

PRAYER OF BLESSING

OUR CHRISTIAN EDUCATION MINISTRY

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS

Preschool/Toddler Class: Patsy Jourdan
Kind. - Third Grade: Robin Gregory, Patsy Oliver, Lesli Denny
Grades 4-5 : Marie Wilkins, Sue Brown, Lynn Denny
Youth: Sue Shipley, Heidi Danieley, Becky Peeler
College Class: Arch Aitcheson
Seekers Class: Louis Wilkins, Al Carpenter, Ken Harper, Ray Harclerode, Katherine Floyd
Adult Bible Class: Earl Danieley, Barry Raker, Marsh McLelland, Bill Rippy, Richard McBride

Members of the Board of Christian Education:

Melodie Allshouse, Chairperson
Laura Chatfield
Patsy Oliver
Dick Rinker
Robin Gregory
Lesli Denny
Lydia Troxler
Sue Shipley

Music Education Personnel

Choral Director/Director, Chancel Bells II - Liz Aitcheson
Accompanist/Director, Chancel Bells I - Betty Dillashaw
Organist - Rich Neubauer
Terrific Thursdays Choir - Arch Aitcheson, Becky Peeler

ELON COLLEGE COMMUNITY CHURCH

Here is a tentative list of Gathering Groups for 1997-98. Please check the list. If you want to be listed and have not been, if you have been listed by mistake, or if you prefer to be in another group, please speak with Shirley Beyer or Earl Danieley before the final list is posted. PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE ARE TWO NEW GROUPS - SOME PEOPLE HAVE BEEN MOVED FROM THE 1996-1997 GROUPS AND ASSIGNED TO THE NEW GROUPS. *If you need a ride, someone in your group will be happy to provide it for you.*

GROUP 1
Jimma Causey
Pearl & Marsh McLelland
Beth Schmidt; Clara Noah
Kathleen Lankford
Faye & Tom Conally
Ann Acquilano

GROUP 2
Fran & Harvey Hook
Jeff & Marie Wilkins
Liz & Arch Aitcheson
Evelyn Terrell
Elizabeth & Earl Parker
Richard Orsvath

GROUP 3
Linda & Barry Raker
Verona & Earl Danieley
Josie Huey
Juanita Loy; Florence Smith
Janet & Mike Mayse

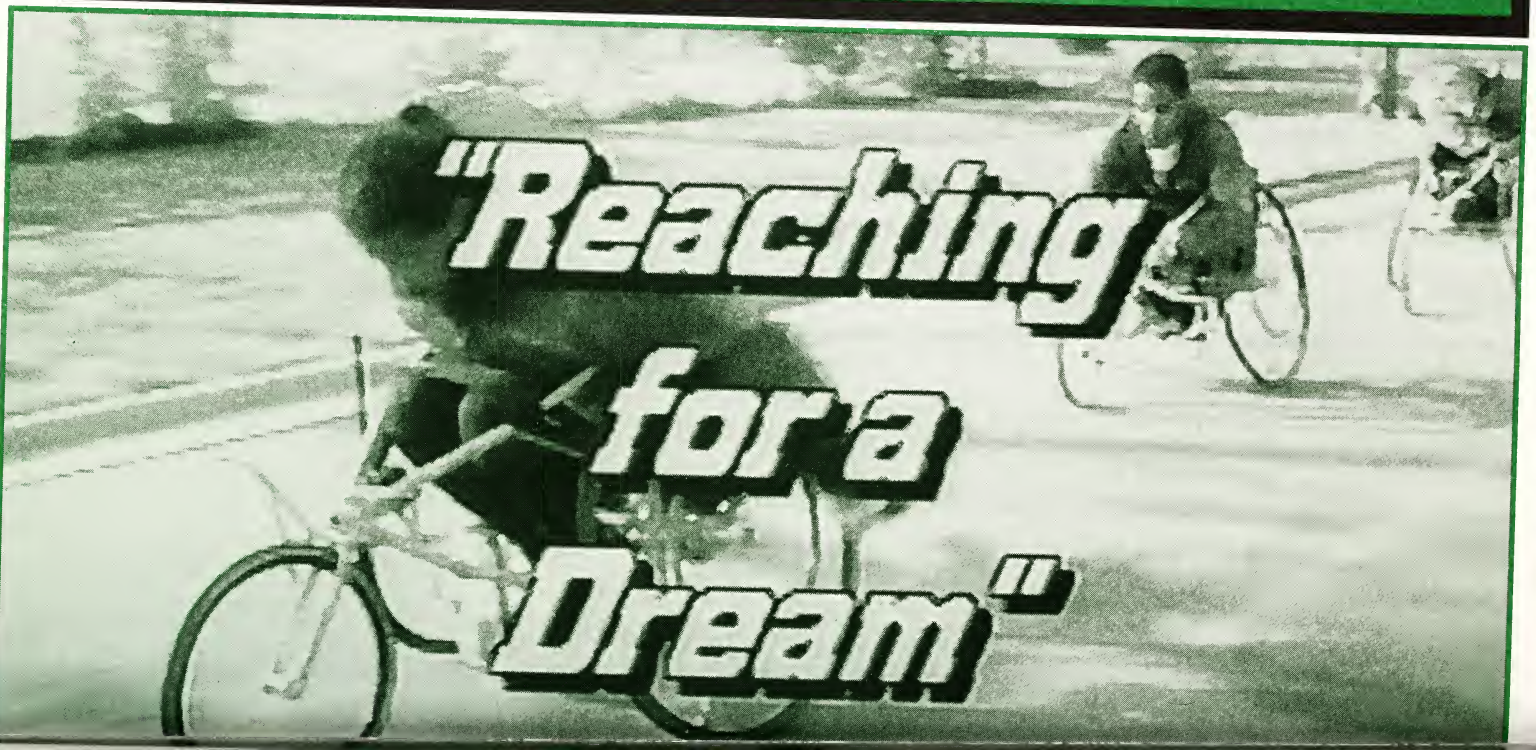
GROUP 4
Shirley & Bill Beyer
Jane Miller; Travis Pate
Dave Turnage
Betty Walker; Nina Matlock
Mary & Bill Ruth

GROUP 5
Patsy & Ralph Jourdan
Sara Dodson
Lois Bost; Suzanne Shipley
Della Scott; Lois Luke
Ken & Liz Bensen

GROUP 6
Katharine & Emmett Floyd
Ethel & Tom Oakley
Cindy Benson
Christy & David Ruth
Eleanor & Paul Fairfield

GROUP 7
Betty & Jerry Dillashaw
Helen & Bill Rippy
Beth & Louis Wilkins
Katrine & Steve Chappell
Pat Richardson
Kenneth Hall

Neighbors In Need 1997



Neighbors In Need 1997

Not just good timing, but *prophetic* timing. That's what some people called the release of *Reaching for a Dream,* a Neighbors in Need video project. Produced in 1990, the same year as the landmark Americans with Disabilities Act, *Reaching for a Dream* tells the inspiring story of six individuals who have overcome the "double whammy" of prejudice due both to their color and their disability.

Among the persons featured in the Neighbors in Need video, UCC pastor Valentino Lassiter, who has epilepsy, observes that racial and ethnic persons with disabilities have "two strikes" against them. Dr. Sushila Kapur, a psychologist from India whose mobility is impaired by a muscle disease, says, "Anytime you're different, expect to be discriminated against." But there is no point in complaining about being discriminated against, she adds. "The trick is to make it in spite of it."

In 1992, *Reaching for a Dream* won the EDI Award, presented by the National Easter Seal Society, and an Award of Merit from the Religious Public Relations Council. Even more important, U.S. Government agencies found the message of *Reaching for a Dream* so compelling that they purchased copies for use in training employers to be in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act. Without Neighbors in Need, none of this would have happened. ●

What does God require of us?

To do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with God

Give to Neighbors in Need

✣**Doxology (No. 780) and Presentation of Gifts**
✣Offertory Prayer of Dedication
(CHILDREN who wish to attend Second Hour may leave at this time)
RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS (see gold insert)
Statement of Faith found on page 885
GOSPEL LESSON Mark 9: 38-50 **Page 44** **NT Pew Bible**
SERMON DIALOGUE "What Do We Tell the Children"
Arch Aitcheson, Pastor & Becky Peeler,Director of Christian Education

FELLOWSHIP OF PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER
(Trespasses . . .)
PRAYER RESPONSE "Breathe on Me, Breath of God"
HYMN " You Are Called to Tell the Story" **No. 357**
BENEDICTION AND CHORAL AMEN
POSTLUDE "Grand Isle" **Scott**

✣**You are Invited to Stand at these moments**

Prayer List for the Week

anie Hayes	Nancy Welborn	Ruth Marlowe	Lorrain Linton
Iarie Laughter	Julie Thayler	Lacala Oakes	Cleone Tickle
arl Parker	Diane Elias	Carolyn Cummings	Noel Inge

cott Floyd Family Family of Grace Rich Family of Doris MacIntyre

To add your loved one to the prayer chain call 584-0391

Our Acolytes today are Jeff and Hope Martin

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Church Family Statistics

tendance Last Sunday	Offering	Offering Needed
473	$ 2,777.56	$ 4,500.00 /week
	AC/ETC Gifts: $237.78	

The Church Staff

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Dr. William J. Andes, Pastor Emeri
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Mrs. Betty Dillashaw, Accompan
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WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY, September 28, 1997
9:45 a.m. Sunday School/11:00 a.m. Worship
12:00 noon- Rally Day Picnic and
New Member Luncheon
4:00 p.m. Personnel Committee Mtg. - Library
5:30 p.m. Pastor Parish Relations Mtg. - Library
Chancel Ringers
6:30 p.m. Catholic Mass
7:00 p.m. Budget/Finance Comm. Mtg. - Library

MONDAY, September 29,1997
7:00 p.m. Scout Pack Mtg. - Parish House
7:30 p.m. Stephen Ministry Supervision

TUESDAY, September 30 , 1997
10:30 a.m. Church Staff Meeting - Library
7:30 p.m. Parents of Troubled Teens Support Group

WEDNESDAY, October 1, 1997
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal
8:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous

THURSDAY, October 2, 1997
7:30 a.m. Breakfast Bible Study
4:00 p.m. Terrific Thursdays
7:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry Training

FRIDAY, October 3, 1997
7:00 p.m. Special Fridays - Parish House
8:30 p.m. Shelter Meal

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and loving memory of Mr. Walter C. Perry, Jr. and grandson, Rob Woody by Estelle and Stan Willard.

World Communion Sunday



Elon College Community Church
of the United Church of Christ
"Living Christ in Today's World"
October 5, 1997 Eleven o'clock in the Morning
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PRELUDE **"Brother James Air"** **Bain**

WORSHIP GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRANSITION TO WORSHIP

✤ **HYMN** **" I Was There to Hear Your Bourning Cry "** **No. 351**

INTROIT **"This is the Day!"**

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

Liturgist: Ray Harclerode
Hebrew Lesson: Psalm 8 Page 482 OT Pew Bible
Collect and Lighting of the Christ Candle

SERVICE OF FORGIVENESS

Call to Confession
Personal Prayer (pray in silence . . .)
Prayer of Confession No. 835
Words of Assurance
✣Passing of the Peace

L: The Peace of Christ be with you;
P: And also with you.
(Extend the hand of peace to those seated near you...)

✣ Gloria Patri (Traditional words) tune No. 759

STATEMENT OF FAITH **No. 887**

SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING

The Call to Give
Anthem: "One Bread, One Body" Foley
✣**Doxology (No. 780) and Presentation of Gifts**
✣Offertory Prayer of Dedication

(Children are welcome to leave for Second Hour at this time or remain for Holy Communion as parents wish

GOSPEL LESSON **Mark 10: 13 - 16** **Page 45** **NT Pew Bible**

COMMUNION MEDITATION "Blessing . . . . "
Arch Aitcheson , Pastor & Teacher

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION AND PRAYER OF CONSECRATION
CHORAL SANCTUS **Nelsom**

BREAKING BREAD AND SHARING THE CUP

Ushers will guide the congregation down the center aisle to receive the Sacrament. Please take a piece of bread, dip into the chalice and then partake as you return to the pews by the side aisles. Deacons will bring communion to those who cannot come forward.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Trespasses . . .)

✣HYMN "The Church's One Foundation" No. 386

✣BENEDICTION AND CHORAL AMEN

✣POSTLUDE "Light of the Living God!" Paxton

✣You are Invited to Stand at these moments

Prayer List for the Week

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arl Parker Diane Elias Carolyn Cummings Noel Inge
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Greeters today are Virginia Jeffreys and Jimma Causey

Our Acolytes today are Jeff and Anna Wilkins

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163 $3,708.86 $ 4,500.00 /week
AC/ETC Gifts: $ 50.00

The Church Staff

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Dr. William J. Andes, Pastor Emer us
Ms. Rebecca Peeler, Director of Christian Educat n
Mr. Richard Neubauer, Orgas t
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WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY, October 5, 1997

9:45 a.m. Sunday School/11:00 a.m. Worship
Noon: Confirmation Class in Parish House
5:30 p.m. Chancel Ringers
6:30 p.m. Catholic Mass

MONDAY, October 6,1997

10:30 a.m. Circle I
7:00 p.m. Scout Pack Mtg./ Brownie Troops
7:30 p.m. Circle II

TUESDAY, October 7 , 1997

10:30 a.m. Church Staff Meeting - Library
7:00 p.m. Circle III
7:30 p.m. Parents of Troubled Teens Support Group

WEDNESDAY, October 8, 1997

4:30 p.m. Roman Catholic Fellowship (P.H.)
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal
8:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous

THURSDAY, October 9, 1997

7:30 a.m. Breakfast Bible Study
4:00 p.m. Terrific Thursday

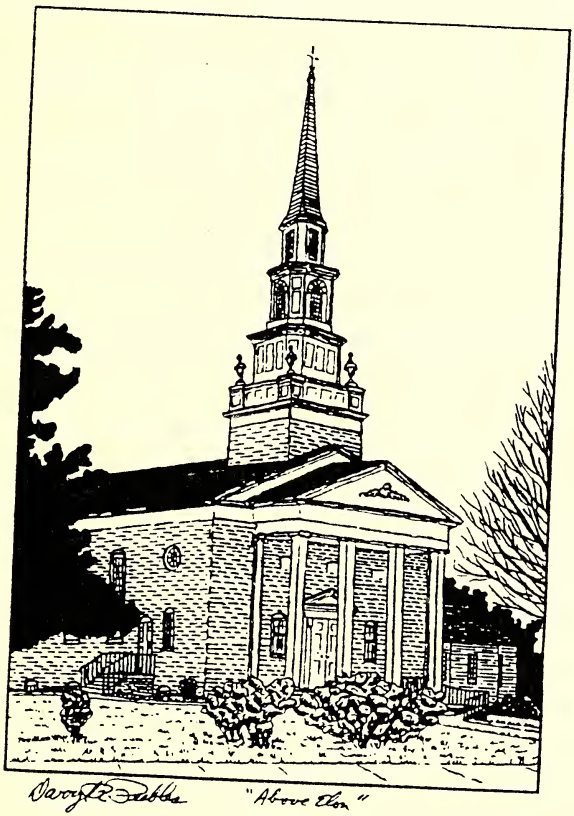
FRIDAY, October 10 & 11, 1997

Stephen Ministry In House Training Retreat

The altar flowers are given to the glory of G and in loving memory of their parents by Jim and Roberta Starr.

This is Worldwide Communion Sunday and v have an opportunity to support brothers and sister around the globe in need by the Neighbors in Need Offering. Please give prayerfully and generously.

Homecoming 1997
Elon College Community Church
United Church of Christ



Dorothy R. Dabbs "Above Elon"

October 12, 1997

Elon College Community Church
of the United Church of Christ
"Living Christ in Today's World"
October 12, 1997 Eleven o'clock in the Morning
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PRELUDE **"The Homecoming "**
WORSHIP GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
TRANSITION TO WORSHIP
INTROIT **"This is the Day!"**
✤ **HYMN** **" Joyful, Joyful We Adore You!"** **No. 4**
LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE
Liturgist: Olga Griswold
Hebrew Lesson: Psalm 15 Page 485 OT Pew Bible
Collect and Lighting of the Christ Candle
SERVICE OF FORGIVENESS
Call to Confession
Personal Prayer (pray in silence . . .)
Prayer of Confession No. 834
Words of Assurance
✣Passing of the Peace
L: The Peace of Christ be with you;
P: And also with you.
(Extend the hand of peace to those seated near you...)
✣ Gloria Patri (Traditional words) tune No. 759
RECOGNITION OF MEMBERS SERVING 50 YEARS
SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING
The Call to Give
Offertory Anthem: " Ev'ry Time I Feel the Spirit" Schram
✣**Doxology (No. 780) and Presentation of Gifts**
✣Offertory Prayer of Dedication
PRESENTATION OF THE WOODY YOUTH AWARD
1997 Recipients: Jennifer Day and Lydia Troxler
GOSPEL LESSON **Mark 10: 17-31 Page 45 NT Pew Bible**
SERMON " The Rich Young Man's Dilemma
Arch Aitcheson , Pastor & Teacher
FELLOWSHIP OF PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER
(Trespasses . . .)

Recognition of Members who have served Elon College Community Church for Fifty or More Years
October 12, 1997

INTRODUCTION OF MEMBERS

PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATES OF APPRECIATION AND AWARDS

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER:

UNISON: Lord God, we give thanks for your servants who have given freely of their talents, gifts and prayers to the life and ministry of this congregation at Elon College. We are humbled by their devotion and commitment to the work of Jesus Christ in this community of faith and in their daily lives. Surround them with your blessings of love and grace. Inspire us by their example and continue to nurture us all in the name of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

CHARGE TO ALL MEMBERS

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Those We Honor

Mrs. Winifred Barney
Mrs. Lois Bost
Mrs. Mary Louise Boyd
Miss Edith Brannock
Miss Madge Brannock
Mr. William E. Butler, Jr.
Mrs. Vera Dixon
Mrs. Lucy Everett
Mrs. Josie Huey
Mrs. Gladys Hughes
Mrs. Kathleen Lankford
Mrs. Juanita Loy
Mr. J. Mark McAdams
Mrs. Norma Matlock
Mrs. Clara Noah
Miss Caroline Powell
Dr. T. Edward Powell, III
Mrs. Della Scott
Mrs. Florance Smith
Mrs. Gladys Smith
Mr. Thomas Smith
Mrs. Helen Barney Smith
Mrs. Evelyn Terrell
Mr. Earl Vickers
Mrs. Eugenia Wagoner

RAYER RESPONSE "Breathe On Me, Breath of God"

HYMN "O Mighty God " No. 35

BENEDICTION AND CHORAL AMEN

POSTLUDE "Go Out With Praise!"

✣You are Invited to Stand at these moments

Prayer List for the Week

nie Hayes	Nancy Welborn	Ruth Marlowe	Lorrain Linton
arie Laughter	Julie Thayler	Lacala Oakes	Tyler Billings
cil Jester	Earl Parker	Diane Elias	Carolyn Cummings
el Inge	Scott Floyd Family	Cleone Tickle	

To add your loved one to the prayer chain call 584-0391

Greeters today are Martin and Edith Shotzberger

Our Acolytes today are David Brown and Megan Brown

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Due to problems with computers, a program for member listing l delayed photos our pictorial directory assembly has been delayed. know how anxious you are to have one! Please be patient a little ger and if you need a phone number or address call the office and we do our best to assist you!

Church Family Statistics

ndance Last Sunday	Offering	Offering Needed
146	$ 5,261.57	$ 4,500.00

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AC/ETC Gifts: $ 453.00

The Church Staff

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WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY, October 12, 1997

9:45 a.m. Sunday School/11:00 a.m. Worship
Noon: Homecoming Covered-Dish Luncheon
5:30 p.m. Chancel Ringers
6:00 p.m. Youth Meeting
6:30 p.m. Church Night Board Meetings
6:30 p.m. Catholic Mass
8:00 p.m. Church Council

MONDAY, October 13,1997

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED
7:00 p.m. Scout Pack Mtg./ Brownie Troops

TUESDAY, October 14 , 1997

10:30 a.m. Church Staff Meeting - Library
7:30 p.m. Parents of Troubled Teens Support Grou

WEDNESDAY, October 15, 1997

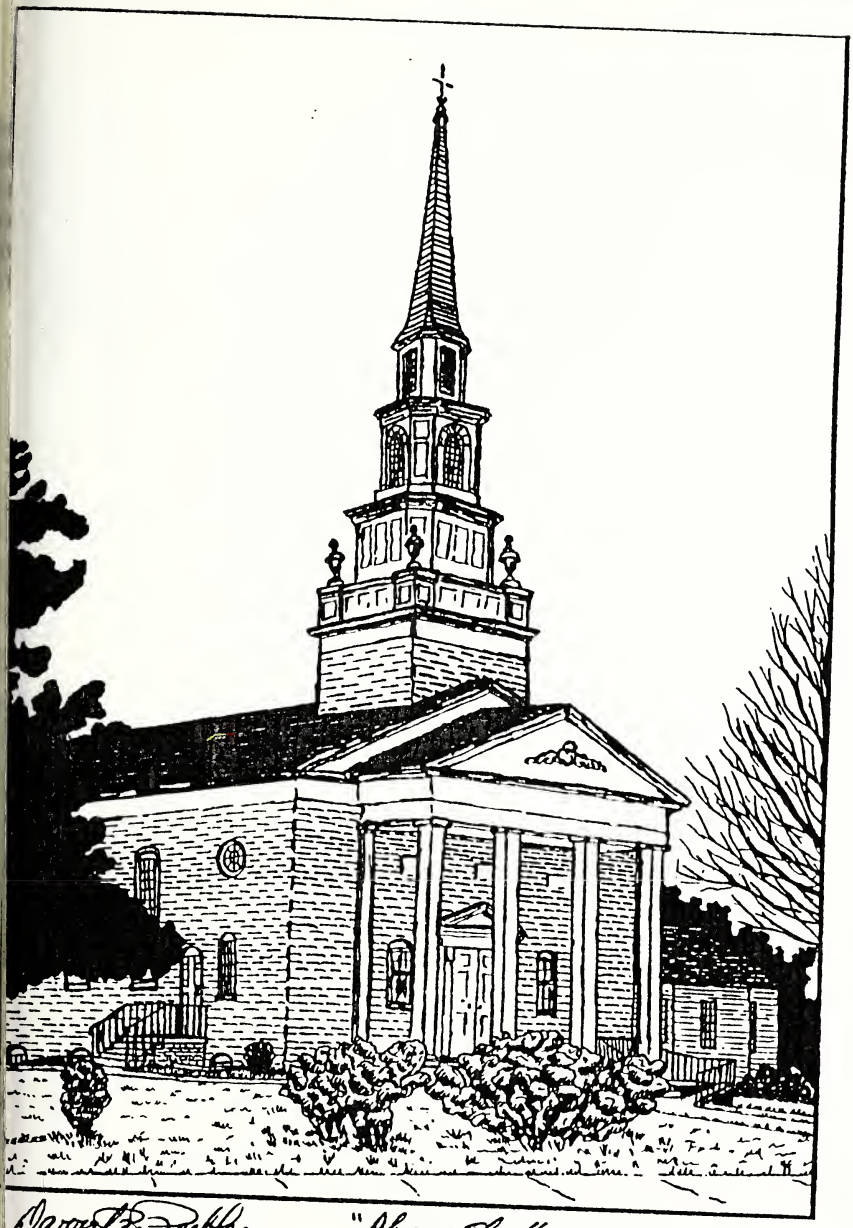
4:30 p.m. Roman Catholic Fellowship (P.H.)
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal
8:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous

THURSDAY, October 16, 1997

7:30 a.m. Breakfast Bible Study
4:00 p.m. Terrific Thursday
7:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry Training

The altar flowers are given to the glory of G and in loving memory of Kenneth and Lucy Hughe and Ann Hughes Matthews from Kay and Jim Elde and Martha and Drew Mayse.

The Burlington Area UCC Laymen's Fellowship will mee Thursday, October 23 at 7:00 p.m. at St. John's New Mission Chu Please put the date on your calendar and join the group this mon



Dorothy R. Dibbles "Above Elon"

Elon College Community Church
of the United Church of Christ
Elon College, North Carolina
"Living Christ in Today's World!"

Elon College Community Church
of the United Church of Christ
"Living Christ in Today's World"
October 26, 1997 Eleven o'clock in the Morning

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PRELUDE "Ashokan Farewell" Unsar

WORSHIP GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRANSITION TO WORSHIP

INTROIT "This is the Day!"

✣ **HYMN** " Rejoice, You Pure In Heart " No. 55

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

Liturgist: Jeff Wilkins, III
Hebrew Lesson: Psalm 34: 1 - 8 Page 497 OT Pew Bible
Collect and Lighting of the Christ Candle

SERVICE OF FORGIVENESS

Call to Confession
Personal Prayer (pray in silence . . .)
Prayer of Confession No. 834
Words of Assurance
✣Passing of the Peace
L: The Peace of Christ be with you;
P: And also with you.
(Extend the hand of peace to those seated near you...)
✣ Gloria Patri (Traditional words) tune No. 759

ANTHEM "Walk Like Jesus . . ." Terrific Thursday Choir

SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING

The Call to Give
Offertory Hymn: "What A Friend" No. 506
✣**Doxology (No. 780) and Presentation of Gifts**
✣Offertory Prayer of Dedication

CHILDREN'S TIME "It's A Small World . . . "

After the Children's Time those wishing to attend Second Hour Program are welcome to leave with teachers !

GOSPEL LESSON **Mark 10: 46-52 Page 46 NT Pew Bible**

SERMON " Blind Bartimaeus"
Arch Aitcheson , Pastor & Teacher

FELLOWSHIP OF PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER
(Trespasses . . .)

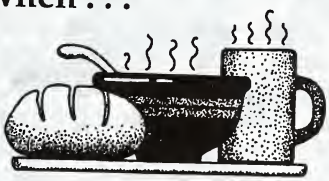
Allied Churches of Alamance County

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has 210 churches who participate in helping the needy when no one else can.

n 1996, in Alamance County when . . .

" Was Hungry, ou Fed Me . . ."



- 19,674 wholesome meals served at the Good Shepherd Communiy Kitchen
- 1,572 different guests ate those meals at lunchtime



"I Was A Stranger, You Took Me In . . ."

- 33 guests per night, average, hosted at the Emergency Night Shelter
- 659 different guests needed the Shelter

Was Discouraged, u Helped Me . . ."



- 446 families in financial crisis assisted with bills by the Christian Assistance Network
- $31,613 paid to utility companies, fuel companies, pharmacies and other service providers

Was Sick, And u Visited Me . . ."



- 40 Volunteer Caregivers provided an average of 4.8 hours per month each to 71 Care Receivers
- More than 150 incidents of care provided from April through June, 1997

From our Caring and Sharing Program - A woman living alone in a Burlin
Senior Housing apartment is receiving care and support on a weekly basis fr
new volunteer. The care receiver is an amputee and is currently confined
wheelchair. The volunteer visits her weekly for a friendly visit and to chec
her needs. Sometimes she'll pick up a prescription or a few groceries for
Other times she'll help with a household chore. She is also trying to help her
new prosthesis. Recently, she found out that her care receiver needed some cl
but hadn't gone to a store to shop for 2 years. The volunteer and her husband
the care receiver shopping. They said it wasn't exactly easy to transport her, b
was certainly worth the effort because it meant so much to the care receiver.
match has grown into a rewarding relationship for both care receiver and volur
From our Christian Assistance Network - A client with two children recently
to us with a host of problems. Her husband had given a ride to a long-time fr
and was stopped by the police. A quantity of cocaine belonging to the friend
found in the husband's car. The husband (who had no knowledge of the fri
involvement with drugs) was arrested and placed in jail. When the client's land
read about the arrest in the paper, she immediately ordered the client to vacat
premises. Through North State Legal Services the client was able to obtain
day postponement. We have paid her past due electric bill and are worki
help raise funds for the apartment she has located. Many of our clients come
through a series of misfortunes and through no fault of their own and are
deserving of assistance. Through your help we are able to assist families get
on their feet.

*The generous gifts of churches and individual church members at this time of ye
especially important to our work. Your contribution today will make a difference to
tomorrows of our guests. Thank-you!*

Good Shepherd Community Kitchen & Emergency Night Shelter
partially funded by United Way

❑ YES, I want to share financially to help the homeless, the hur
and the desperate in their need.

❑ YES, I want to share my time to help the homeless, the hu
and the desperate. Please contact me about volunteering.

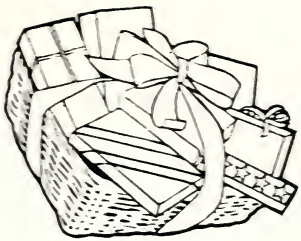
Name_____ Phone_____

Address_____

City_____ Zip_____

Church_____ Phone_____

Return to: ACAC • P.O. Box 2581 • Burlington, NC 27216. Checks payable to Allied Ch



YOUR HELP IS NEEDED

YOU ARE NEEDED TO HELP WITH THE EXAM BAG PROJECT...

1. Contributions are needed: microwave popcorn, hard candy, packets of coffee or hot chocolate mix, tea bags, gum, post-it notes, postal cards with stamps, HOMEMADE COOKIES...no chips, please. The deadline is December 1.

2. Help is needed in assembling the bags - December 7 at 3 p.m.

3. We need persons to help deliver the bags - after the Love Feast on December 7 or on December 8. Use the sign up form below. And we thank you.

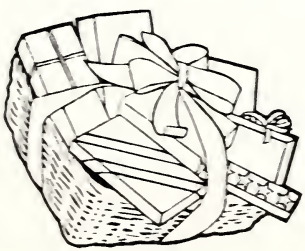
____ I will contribute items for the exam bags.

_____ I will help to assemble the bags on December 7.

_____ I will help to deliver the bags.

NAME_____





PRAYER RESPONSE "Breathe On Me, Breath of God"

HYMN "Father Almighty, Bless Us" No. 518

BENEDICTION AND CHORAL AMEN

POSTLUDE "And Can it Be?" Campbell

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Prayer List for the Week

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Iarie Laughter	Stan Willard	R. Rose Family	Mary Mattern
ecil Jester	Earl Parker	Diane Elias	Carolyn Cummings
ott Floyd Family		Cleone Tickle	Michael Chatfield

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Greeters today are Steve and Kim Perry

Our Acolytes today are Christine Fogleman and Robert Danieley

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he Flowers on the Altar are presented to the glory of God d In memory of Mr. William Barbee's parents, Mrs. Susan rbee's father, and in honor of susan's mother, Jane Devitt.

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WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY, October 26, 1997

9:45 a.m. Sunday School/11:00 a.m. Worship
(Terrific Thursday choir to sing)
Noon: Staff Lunch
2:00 p.m. Stewardship & Finance Committees
5:30 p.m. Chancel Bells
6:00 p.m. Youth
6:30 p.m. Mass

MONDAY, October 27, 1997

7:00 p.m. Pack Meeting
7:00 p.m. Girl Scouts
7:30 p.m. Stephen Ministry Supervision

TUESDAY, October 28 , 1997

10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting
Noon: Lunch Bunch
7:30 p.m. Parents of Troubled Teens Support Group

WEDNESDAY, October 29 , 1997

7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal
8:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous

THURSDAY, October 30, 1997

7:30 a.m. Breakfast Bible Study
4:00 p.m. Terrific Thursday
6-8:30 p.m. Elon Chaplins Program (P.H.)
7:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry Training

October 26, 1997



In Remembrance of Me

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"Living Christ in Today's World"
November 2, 1997 Eleven o'clock in the Morning

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PRELUDE "Take My Life" **Pethec**

WORSHIP GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRANSITION TO WORSHIP

INTROIT "Gathered Here"

✣ **HYMN** "Jesus Shall Reign" **No. 300**

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

Liturgist: Marie Wilkins

Gospel Lesson: Mark 12: 28-34 Page 48 NT Pew Bible

Collect and Lighting of the Christ Candle

SERVICE OF FORGIVENESS

Call to Confession

Personal Prayer (pray in silence . . .)

Prayer of Confession Prayer No.847 (Back of the Hymnal)

Words of Assurance

✣Passing of the Peace

L: The Peace of Christ be with you;

P: And also with you.

(Extend the hand of peace to those seated near you...)

✣ Gloria Patri (Traditional words) No. 759

✣United Church of Christ Statement of Faith No .885

SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING

The Call to Give

Offertory Anthem **"This Do In Remembrance of Me!"** **Hunnicutt**

✣**Doxology and Presentation of Gifts** Tune No. 780

✣Offertory Prayer of Dedication

COMMUNION SERMON "Faithfulness . . ."

Arch Aitcheson, Pastor & Teacher

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

All are welcome to receive the feast of love by coming forward via the center aisle as directed by ushers, receiving the bread, dipping it in the cup, partaking of it and returning to the pew by the side aisles. Deacons will bring communion to those requiring it.

TO THANK IS TO CARE FOR ALL

"God wants us to be responsible and care for all people and all things in the world and be good stewards," says twelve-year-old Amy Cadwallader from Ivy Chapel UCC in Chesterfield, Maine.

She has that right! Caring is a huge task. If we're faithful about caring for all that God has created, our responsibility is awe some. As Psalm 24:1 reminds us, "The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it, the world, and those who live in it."

ALL that is in it. Not just our own possessions and money, not just our own home, not just our own family, but *ALL*. All other people, plants and animals, water, ideas, traditions, stories of the faith, the environment, homes, relationships, hopes, dreams, and more. *All* that we have been given must be cared for or it will be gone. ALL is a huge responsibility for good stewards!

What we learn from seven-year-old Zachary Hussong, a member of Zwingli UCC in Souderton, Pennsylvania, is that he is a steward who says thank you to God by caring for his pets. He's very



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"God made all the animals. My pets are a gift from God. I pet, play with, and feed my dog, Princess. I pet, play with and feed my cat, Dusty. I feed my fish and help keep their water clean. I squirt my anoles [lizards], Alex and Betty, with water and feed them. I take good care of my pets and love them. That's how I am a good steward."

Children have a way of getting to the point and then getting on with it!

"Help wildlife! Don't pollute! The trash bin is there for a reason! Use your head!" writes Kristen Fries, age 11, from South Congregational in Concord, New Hampshire.

One of the ways to thank God is to *CARE* for *ALL* – and to do it right now!

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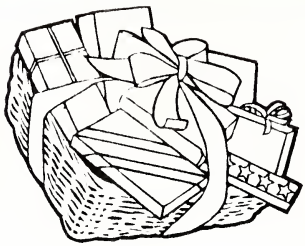
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YOUTH BAKE SALE

Need extra goodies for that Thanksgiving Meal? Then look no further than the Youth Bake on NOV. 16 before and after worship.
Cakes, Pies, Breads will be especially featured.

All proceeds go to support the Youth Mission Trip and other activities.



YOUR HELP IS NEEDED

YOU ARE NEEDED TO HELP WITH THE EXAM BAG PROJECT...

1. Contributions are needed: microwave popcorn, hard candy, packets of coffee or hot chocolate mix, tea bags, gum, post-it notes, postal cards with stamps, HOMEMADE COOKIES...no chips, please. The deadline is December 1.

2. Help is needed in assembling the bags - December 7 at 3 p.m.

3. We need persons to help deliver the bags - after the Love Feast on December 7 or on December 8. Use the sign up form below. And we thank you.

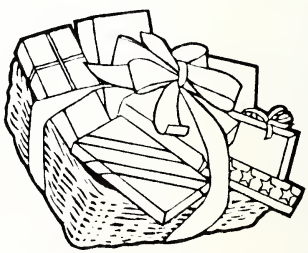
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_____ I will help to deliver the bags.

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Invitation & Prayer of Consecration
Sanctus
Breaking Bread & Sharing the Cup
Prayer of Thankfulness and The Lord's Prayer (Trespasses)
Prayer Response: "O God of Love"
HYMN " Breathe on Me, Breath of God" No. 292
BENEDICTION & CHORAL AMEN
POSTLUDE "At the Cross" Hudson

You are Invited to Stand at these moments

Prayer List for the Week

n Hayes	Nancy Welborn	Lorrain Linton	Marie Laughter
e Tickle	Earl Parker	Stan Willard	Diane Elias
e Family	R.F. Woody,Sr.	Cecil Jester	Ruth Marlowe
Mattern	Lloyd Mansfield	Carolyn Cummings	

To add your loved one to the prayer chain call 584-0391

eters today are John and Delores Truitt

Acolytes today Robert Danieley/Miranda Rich

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We are honored to have you worshipping with us this morning. do sign the guest book and the friendship ritual booklet in the f you do not have a church home we sincerely hope that you will r joining this fellowship!

EW MEMBERS CLASS will be held at the Aitcheson Home on November 16, 1997 at 7:30 p.m. If you would like to attend to ore about our church telephone 584-0391 or 449-5322.

The flowers on the altar are presented by John & r Ketcham to the Glory of God in appreciation of their and in honor of their children.

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Noon: Confirmation
5:30 p.m. Chancel Bells
6:00 p.m. Youth Mystery Supper
6:30 p.m. Roman Catholic Mass

MONDAY, November 3, 1997
10:30 a.m. Circle 1
1:00 p.m. Conference Ralph Scott Services
7:00 p.m. Cub/Girl Scouts
7:30 p.m. Circle 2 J. Miller's

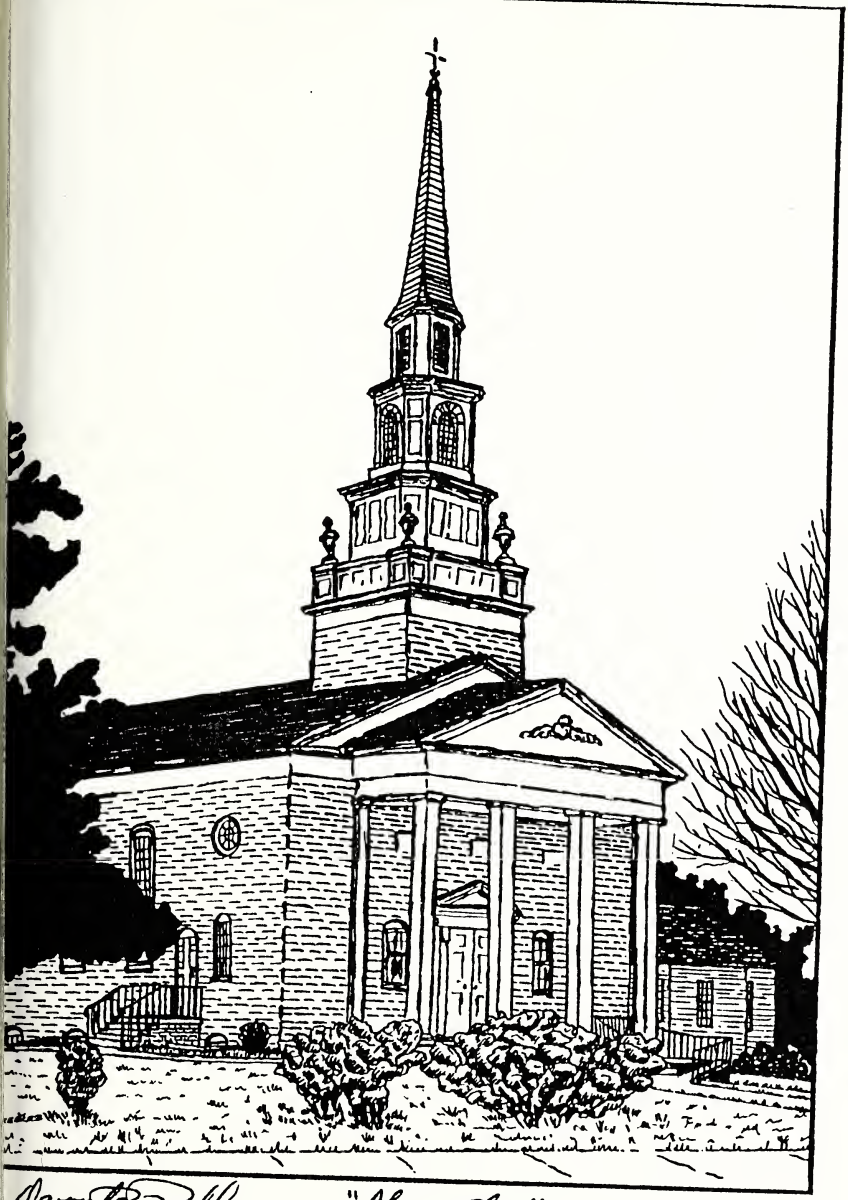
TUESDAY, November 4, 1997
10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting
5:00 p.m. Ralph Scott
7:30 p.m. Circle 3 Choral Room
7:30 p.m. Parents of Troubled Teens Support Group

WEDNESDAY, November 5, 1997
4:30 p.m. RC Fellowship
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal
8:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous

THURSDAY, November 6, 1997
7:30 a.m. Breakfast Bible Study
4:00 p.m. Terrific Thursday
7:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry Training

FRIDAY, November 7, 1997
7:00 p.m. Special Fridays
7:30 p.m. Shelter Meal

November 2, 1997



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November 9, 1997 Eleven o'clock in the Morning

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"ANGELS' SONGS....



RESERVATION FORM

Household Name: _____

No. to attend: _____

Phone: _____

I (we) will bring:

___ A Large Pot of Soup

___ A Platter of Sandwiches

___ A platter of cookies

___ A gallon of Iced Tea/other drink

RETURN BY NOV. 16 TO THE CHURCH OFFICE

An Intergenerational ADVENT Experience. Come join us in a celebration of the first angel song - the song that announced Jesus' birth.

NOV. 30, 1997, 4:00-5:00 pm

Community Building/Craft

5:00 pm - 5:30 pm Soup/Sandwich Meal

5:30 pm - Worship

RSVP by Nov. 16 to the church office.



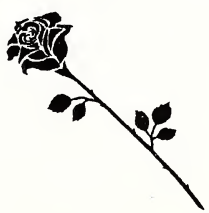
Welcome Elon Alumni

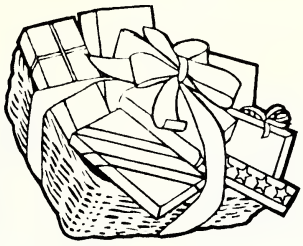
It is good to see you back at Elon College Community Church as you enjoy the events of Homecoming 1997. This church and the college share a long history and unique relationship as institutions affiliated with the United Church of Christ.

Many of our members are graduates who came to Elon as students and returned to live in our beautiful town.

In recent years the church has renewed its efforts to be present to our student population. Elon Community Church opens its doors and programs to students

We hope you will find worship here meaningful and friendly!
Y'all come back!





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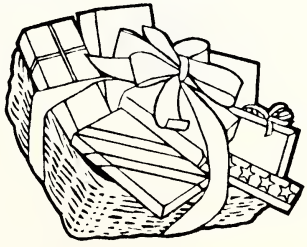
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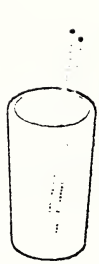
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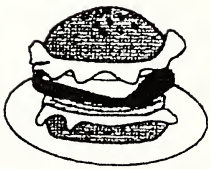
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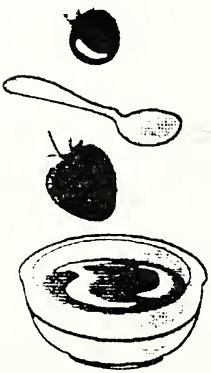
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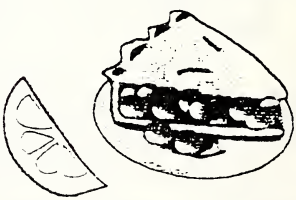


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Budgets
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Budgets are statements of faith!
Budgets are means to mission!

The way individuals give in and through the church connects people with God's mission.

Connected people like to know and in knowing, we are more connected.

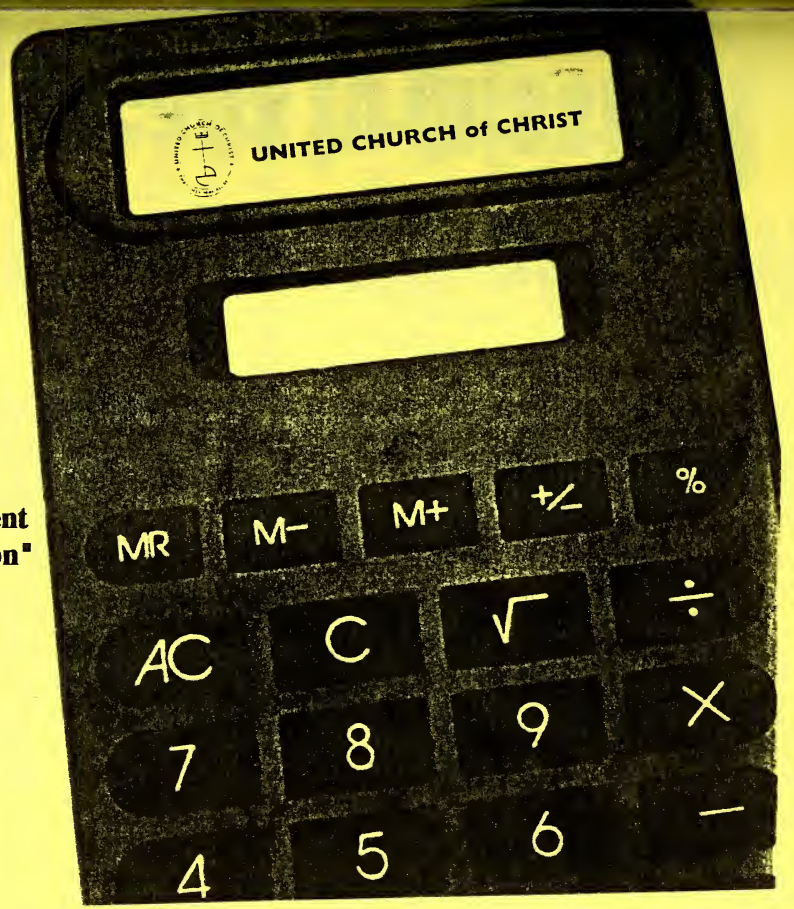
Our Church's Budget can be found in the Narthex or in the Church Office.

Take time to read the "Statement of Faith" and "means to mission" for our church in 1998.

Be an informed steward!

Send in your commitment pamphlet and pledge card by Sunday, November 23!

Dear God . . . Thanks!



'O THANK IS TO

SHARE

ring the summer, I spend a week at
:on Center, a church camp on Pine
ntain in Gorham, New Hampshire."
Melanie MacRae, 13, a member of First
sh Congregational UCC in Somers
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To thank is to share the Good News of our faith in Jesus Christ. How do you that in your church, where you work, with people you meet?

To share may mean helping at the chu used clothing sale or donating items excellent quality. That's what membe do at Bethel UCC in Cahokia, Illinois. M customers are people from the comm nity who live at or near the poverty le and benefit from bargain prices. "Stewardship means sharing what you have and helping others," says Drew, young member of the congregation.

Drew is right, you know. One of the w to thank God is to *SHARE* what you ha — and in the process God's blessings shared, too!

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'RAYER RESPONSE "Breathe On Me, Breath of God"
HYMN "God Our Author and Creator" No. 530
BENEDICTION AND CHORAL AMEN
·POSTLUDE "And Can it Be?" Campbell

✣You are Invited to Stand at these moments

Prayer List for the Week

anie Hayes Nancy Welborn Ruth Marlowe Lorrain Linton
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ecil Jester Earl Parker Diane Elias Carolyn Cummings
:ott Floyd Family Cleone Tickle Michael Chatfield

To add your loved one to the prayer chain call 584-0391

Greeters today are Wes and Jane Alexander
Our Acolytes today are Claire Welborn/Zack Welborn

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6:30 p.m. CHURCH NITE
6:30 p.m. Roman Catholic Mass

MONDAY, November 10, 1997

9:30 a.m. Southern Conference Staff Meeting
3:00 p.m UCC Retirement Home Board
7:00 p.m. Cub/Girl Scouts

TUESDAY, November 11 , 1997

Office Closed
8:00 p.m. Staff Retreat P.H. Hillside School
7:30 p.m. Parents of Troubled Teens Support Group

WEDNESDAY, November 12, 1997

1:30 p.m. Ralph Scott Services
4:30 p.m. Catholic Fellowship
5:30 p.m. Ralph Scott Services
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal
8:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous

THURSDAY, November 13, 1997

7:30 a.m. Breakfast Bible Study
4:00 p.m. Terrific Thursday
6:00 p.m. Leadership Develop. ELON
7:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry Training

Friday,November 14, 1997

Poinsettia Order Due
1:00 p.m. P.H. Ralph Scott Services

November 9, 1997



Love Never Fails

The Wedding Ceremony for
Edgar Fields Harris and Kathleen Melba Woodell
Saturday, November 15, 1997
Eleven o'clock in the Morning
Elon College Community Church
of the United Church of Christ

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PRELUDES

PROCESSIONAL

CALL TO WORSHIP **Rev. Arch Aitcheso**

READING "Unspeakable Memories" written by George Elli

HOLY SCRIPTURE **I Corinthians 13** **"The Love Chapter"**

ADDRESS AND DECLARATION

PRAYER OF INVOCATION & THE LORD'S PRAYER (Trespasse

BETROTHAL STATEMENTS

PRESENTATION

MARRIAGE VOWS

PRAYER OF BLESSING

THE RING CEREMONY
The Meaning of the Wedding Bands
Blessing of the Bands
The Ring Vows by the Bride and Groom

THE WEDDING SERMON

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

As their first task as husband and wife, Kathleen and Eddie, will serve as deacons for the Sacrament. All who believe in Jesus Christ and desire to live at peace with others are invited to receive the elements. Guests are asked to come down the center aisle as directed by ushers. Take a piece of bread from Kathleen and dip it into the chalice held by Eddie. Return to your pew by the appropriate side aisle.

CHARGE FOR CONCLUSION

PRONOUNCEMENT

WEDDING KISS

CANDLELIGHTING CEREMONY

BENEDICTION

INTRODUCTION OF THE COUPLE

POSTLUDES

Best Man: John Lynian Harris
Maid of Honor: Nancy McCraken
Attendants: Kenyon Lee Harris and Jennifer W. Nivolo
Flower Girls: Erin Woodell and Kelly Woodell
Pastor: Rev. Arch Aitcheson, Pastor and Teacher
Organist: Mr. Richard Neubauer

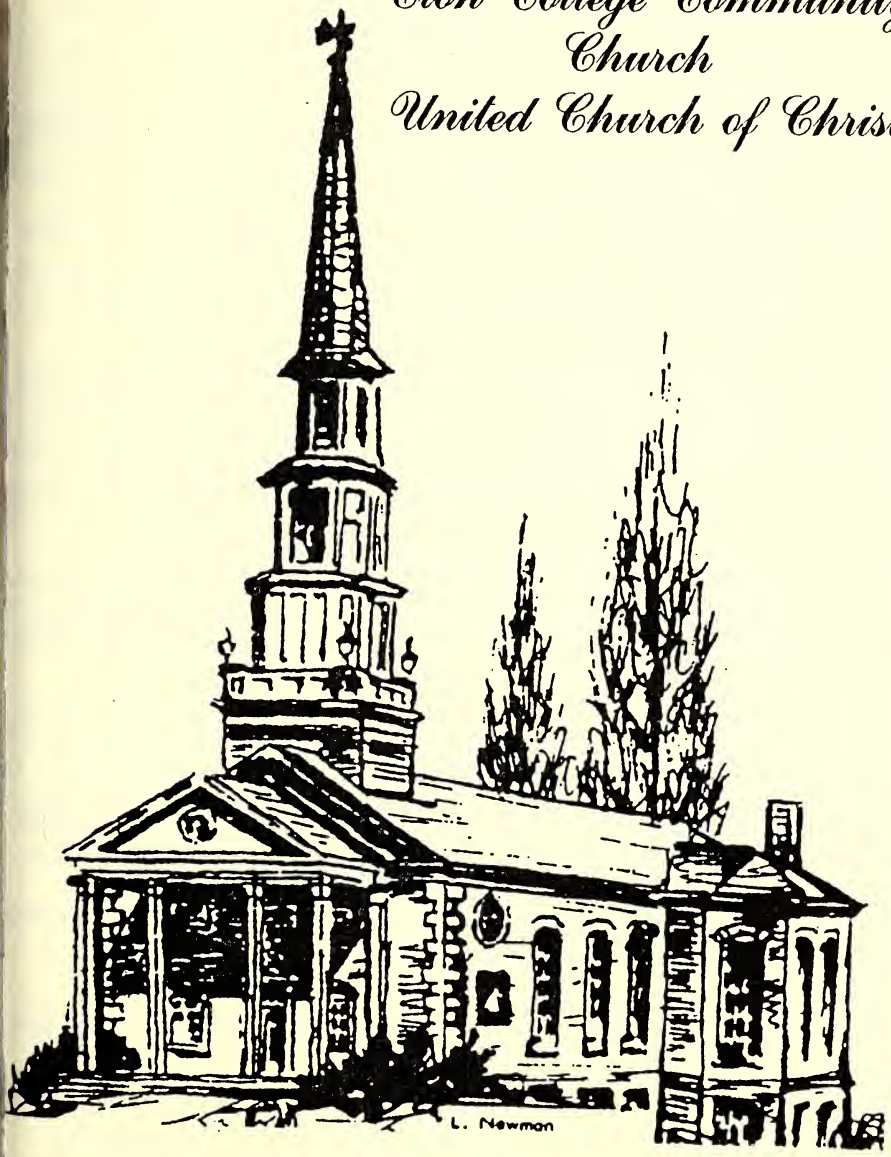
Eddie and Kathleen Harris welcome all their family and friends to this service of sacred worship as they enter the covenant of marriage. They celebrate here the working of the Holy Spirit, who helped them find each other and who blessed them with the love and friendship that brings them to this day. Rejoice with them and keep them in your prayers as they take this important faith step in their lives!

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Morning Worship at

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PRELUDE **" Gymnopedie" (Satie) "Prayer" (Butler)**
The Chancel Ringers

WORSHIP GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRANSITION TO WORSHIP

INTROIT **" Gathered Here"**

✣ **HYMN** **"Be Still My Soul"** **No. 488**

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

Liturgist: Marsh McLelland
Hebrew Lesson: Psalm 16 Page 485 OT Pew Bible
Collect and Lighting of the Christ Candle

SERVICE OF FORGIVENESS

Call to Confession
Personal Prayer (pray in silence . . .)
Litany of Confession No. 838
Words of Assurance
✣Passing of the Peace
L: The Peace of Christ be with you;
P: And also with you.
(Extend the hand of peace to those seated near you...)
✣ Gloria Patri (Traditional words) tune No. 759

ANTHEM "Lord-Built House" Chancel Choir

SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING

The Call to Give
Offertory Hymn: "God's Eye is on the Sparrow" No. 475
✣**Doxology (No. 780) and Presentation of Gifts**
✣Offertory Prayer of Dedication

CHILDREN'S TIME "Wanted!" Rev. Aitcheson
After the Children's Time those wishing to attend Second Hour Program are welcome to leave with teachers !

CHRISTIAN LESSON **Hebrews 10:19-25 Page 219 NT Pew Bibl**

SERMON "Persevering in Faith!"
Rev. Arch Aitcheson , Pastor & Teacher

FELLOWSHIP OF PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

(Trespasses . . .)

PRAYER RESPONSE "O God of Love"

HYMN "O Love That Will Not Let Me Go" No. 485

BENEDICTION AND CHORAL AMEN

POSTLUDE " Trumpet Tune" (Clark)

✣You are Invited to Stand at these moments

Prayer List for the Week

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ısan Barbee	David Leonard	Harry Clark	The Ginn Family

To add your loved one to the prayer chain call 584-0391

Greeters today are Bill and Helen Rippy

Our Acolytes today are Nicole Williamson/Jeff Wilkins

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5:00 p.m. Grief Support network
5:30 p.m. Chancel Bells
6:00 p.m. Youth
6:30 p.m. Catholic Mass
7:30 p.m. New Member's Class - At Aitcheson's

MONDAY, November 17, 1997

7:00 p.m. Cub/Girl Scouts

TUESDAY, November 18 , 1997

10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting
7:30 p.m. Parents of Troubled Teens Support Group

WEDNESDAY, November 19, 1997

4:30 p.m. Catholic Fellowship
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8:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous

THURSDAY, November 20, 1997

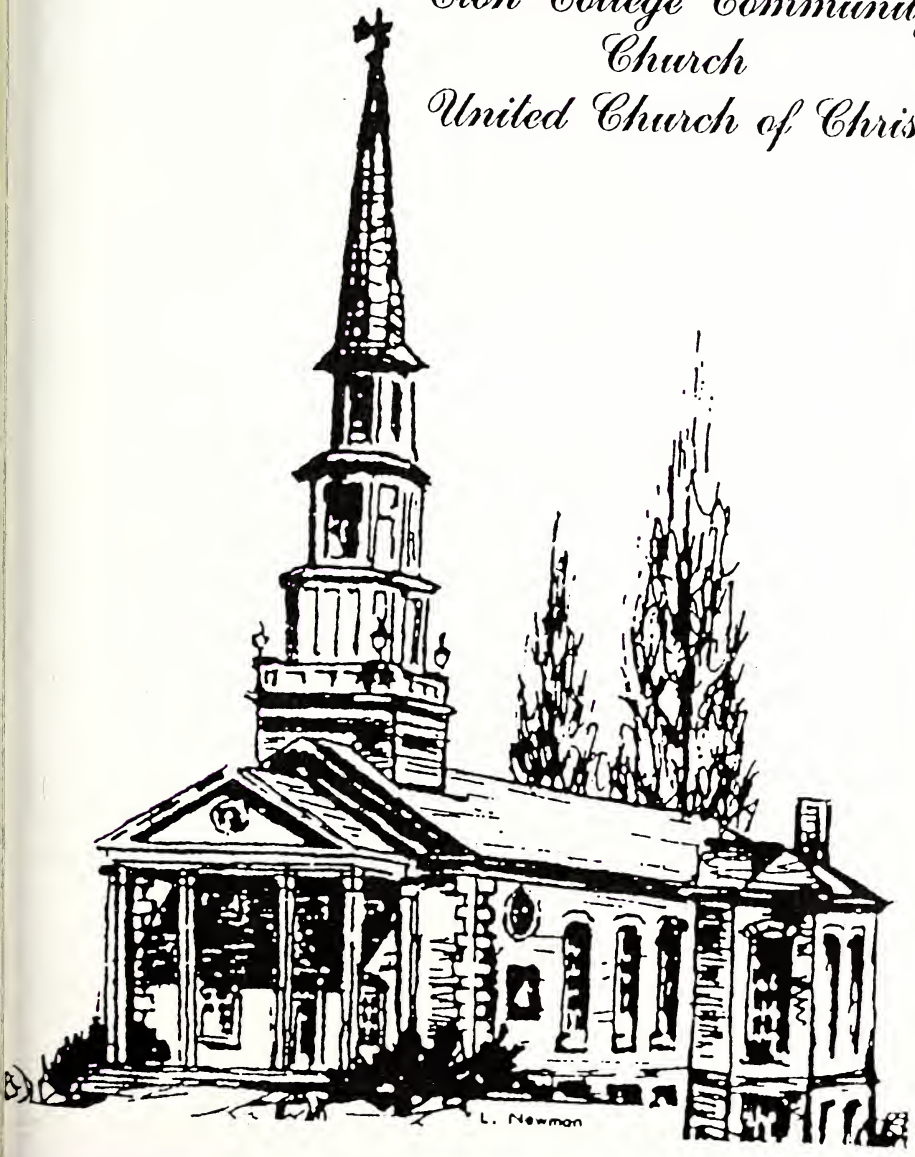
7:30 a.m. Breakfast Club
1:00 p.m. P.H. Ralph Scott Life Services
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7:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry Training (Library)

November 16, 1997

"Living Christ in Today's World!"

Morning Worship at

Elon College Community Church
United Church of Christ



Elon College Community Church
of the United Church of Christ
"Living Christ in Today's World"
November 23, 1997 Eleven o'clock in the Morning
Consecration Sunday

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PRELUDE **" Worthy of Worship"**

WORSHIP GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRANSITION TO WORSHIP

✣ **HYMN** **"We Gather Together"** **No. 421**

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

Liturgist: Suzanne Shipley
Hebrew Lesson: Psalm 103 Page 542 OT Pew Bible
Collect and Lighting of the Christ Candle

SERVICE OF FORGIVENESS

Call to Confession
Personal Prayer (pray in silence . . .)
Litany of Confession No. 838
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SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING

Service of Consecration

The Call to Give
ANTHEM "Joy in the Morning" N. Sleeth
✣**Doxology (No. 780) and Presentation of Gifts**
✣Offertory Prayer of Dedication

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS (see insert)

✣**HYMN** **"Come, O Thankful People"** **No. 422**
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SERMON "A Spiritual Response"
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FELLOWSHIP OF PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER
(Trespasses . . .)

elcome our newest members . . . .

unday November 23, 1997 we were happy to receive the following persons into full ebership at Elon College Community Church:

ie E. Eyes
Oakview Drive
College NC 27244
584-3879

Marie is the daughter of Bob and Barbara Eyes and joins us by Letter of Transfer from Bridgewater Congregational Church, U.C.C. in Bridgewater, CT. She works at Burlington Art and Frame, Inc. and likes camping, hiking, community service work, gem-stone cutting, and stained glass art.

ne B. Grimley, III
tkinson Avenue
Box 817 (mailing address)
College NC 27244-0817
584-9466
910) 538-2643

Gene is married to **Jo McAdams Grimley** and is a professor in the Department of Chemistry at Elon College. He comes to us by Letter of Transfer from First Presbyterian Church of Burlington. He enjoys swimming, waterskiing, golf, tennis, choir and music. In the past he has been a deacon. He and Jo are parents to adult children, **Jeanne, Susie and Mark.**

:Adams Grimley
kinson Avenue
ox 817 (mailing address)
ollege NC 27244-0817
84-9466

Jo is married to **Gene Grimley** and is also a professor in the Chemistry Department at Elon College. Elon College has been home to her and her family for a number of years.

n Vincent Mattern
elrose Drive
ton NC 27217
27-5324

Joe is a Senior at Elon College who comes to us by reaffirmation of faith from the Roman Catholic faith. He is the son of member, **Mary Mattern,** and likes sports, reading and writing. Joe is active in the College Book Study Class and hopes to enter law school after graduation from Elon.

Vay Norris
lvin Court
on NC 27215
4-0166

Jean is the wife of **Leonard E. Norris** and has recently moved with her husband from **Madison, NJ to** their new home at Twin Lakes. She joins us by letter of transfer from First Presbyterian Church in Madison, NJ. where she was an active member for many years. She and Len have a daughter, **Randy Ellen,** who lives in our region.

ORDER FOR THE RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Elon College Community Church
of the United Church of Christ

INTRODUCTION OF THE NEW MEMBER'S CLAS

THE CONFESSION OF FAITH:

PASTOR: Dearly beloved, do you confess your faith in Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior, and make him yo example? Do you take for your rule of life the words o the Gospel: **You shall love God, your Creator, with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength, and your neighbor as yourself?**

RESPONSE: **I do, with God as my helper!**

PASTOR: Do you hold to the beliefs of the United Church of Christ and to the covenant of this congregation? Do you strive to witness to that faith in this fellowship with your brothers and sisters in Christ?

RESPONSE: **I do, with God as my witness!**

PASTOR: Let us all affirm our faith in God, the Three-in-One, as we say in one voice the Statement of Faith th unites us in Christ!

✣ALL: **The United Church of Christ Statement of Faith (page 885 in the back of the Hymnal)**

PASTOR: I ask you now, in the presence of God and in

W MEMBERS CONTINUED . . .

ick L. Scott
4 South Fairway Dr.
lington NC 27215
. Box 346
sonville NC 27249

Mack comes to us by letter of transfer from First Christian Church in Burlington and is known to many of us for the work he does for our Scout Troop. Mack likes computers, photography, Aquatics and boating as well!

meron Scott (child)

Cameron lives in Gibsonville and is a middle-school student. He is active with his Dad in our Boy Scout Troop.



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WORLD AIDS DAY

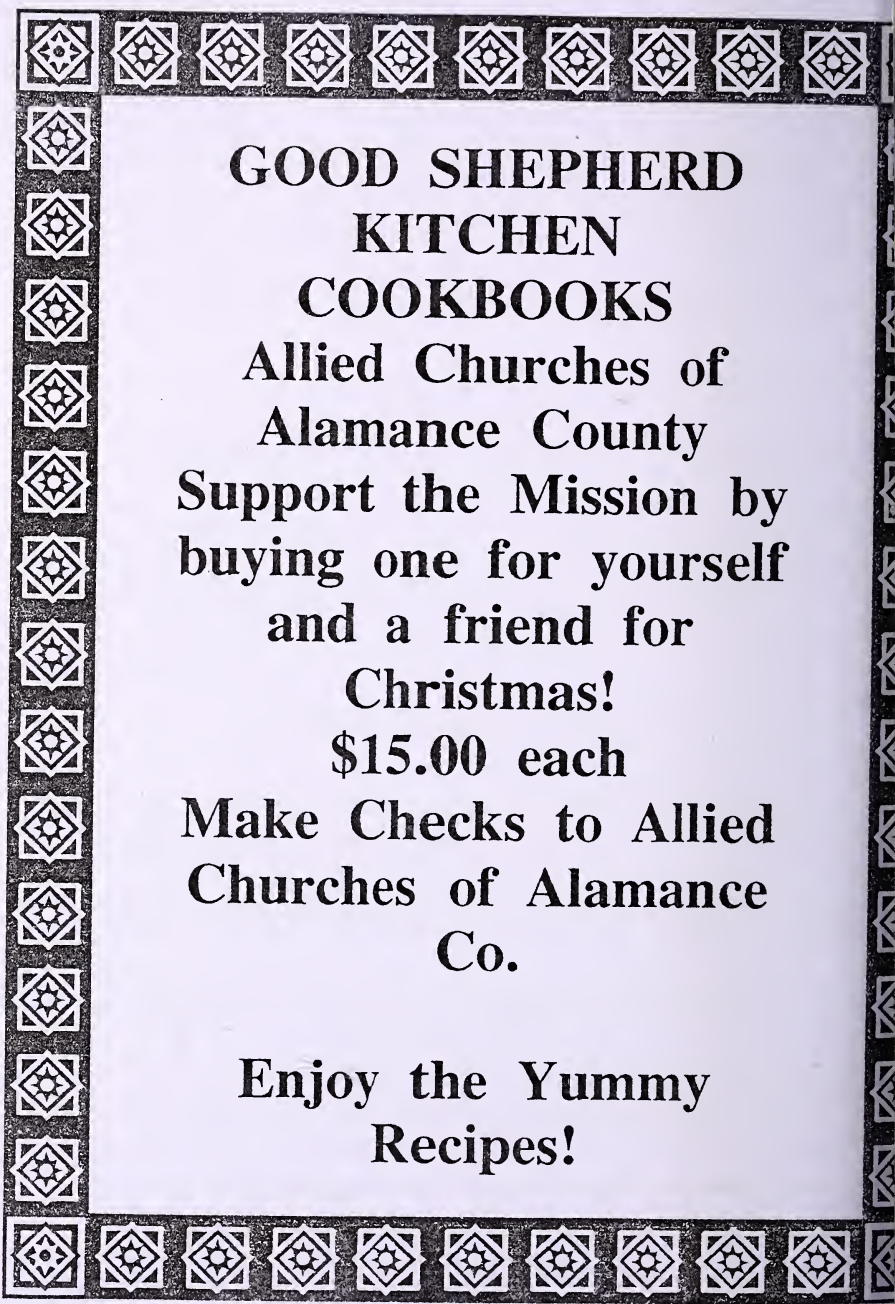
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Alamance County
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$15.00 each
Make Checks to Allied
Churches of Alamance
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Enjoy the Yummy
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Name:_____Phone:_____

Sponsoring Group/Family/Organization:

Put this form in the Offering Plate or send it to the Church Office soon! Deadline: Dec. 1, 1997.

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em as they sing. The very experience
rings smiles to their faces as their bodies
spond to the rhythm.

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productivity that is authentically ours to experience. And when we hold back we even deny ourselves the celebration.

"Be happy. Have fun. Never say you can't. Don't waste anything. Help the earth. Don't be mean to anybody. Help people. Do not litter. Appreciate what you have," says Brittany Wetzler, age nin and a member of St. Paul UCC, Waterloo Illinois.

"I like God. God makes everything," says Emily Carver, age six and a member of Trinity UCC, Berlin, Pennsylvania. Her ver words create a spirit of thankfulness and celebration!

One of the ways to thank God is to CELEBRATE. Will you join Emily by saying with her, "I like God. God makes everything!" Amen.

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the company of this body of Christ, do you offer yourself to God's service without reservation? Do you seek to be a faithful and active member of this church? Ever mindful of the welfare of all members do you promise to walk with them in faithfulness and Christian love? Do you covenant with God and this church to attend worship, to observe the sacraments, to share in mission, as together we strive to make this a living body of Christ in today's world?

RESPONSE: **I do, with the help of the Holy Spirit!**

DEACON: I ask this congregation to please stand to welcome these brothers and sisters into the fellowship of this church. Join me in the words of welcome.

CONGREGATION: **We, your brothers and sisters in Jesus Christ, gladly welcome you into this family of Christ at the Elon College Community Church. We invite you to share with us the hopes, the labors, the dreams and the joys of our ministry together. We promise to walk with you in Christian love and empathy and to promote, as far as in us lies, growth in the Spirit and Life of Jesus Christ our Savior. May God keep us united in mission and faithful in the Holy Spirit as we work for that realm that is everlasting.**

RIGHT HAND OF FELLOWSHIP AND PRESENTATIONS

INTRODUCTION OF FRIENDSHIP SPONSORS

PRAYER OF BLESSING

new members continued . . . .

Leonard Ellsworth Norris
3915 Calvin Court
Burlington NC 27215
(910) 584-0166

Len is the husband of **Jean Norris**, and also join
by letter of transfer from the First Presbyterian
Church in Madison, NJ. Len likes to golf and en
their new home at Twin Lakes! He, like Jean, h
been active in church work and leadership throu
the years.

Kimberly S. Webb
2855 Snug Harbor Road
Burlington NC 27216
(910) 584-6564
Fax: (910) 563-4573

Kim is mother of **Casey Webb**, daughter of **Steph**
and **Katrina Chappell,** and sister of **Christi Ruth.**
She works for Kidde Safety in Mebane and enjoy
sports, children and movies. She comes to us by
letter of transfer from Grace United Methodist
Church in Burlington.

Casey S. Webb, (Child)

Casey is the son of Kimberly. He is seven years o
and already is an active participant in Terrific
Thursdays Choir and Handbells. He loves sports
currently plays soccer.

Russell Robert Wilkinson
373 C McCray Road
Burlington NC 27217
(910) 226-1029

Russell is married to **Kathryn M. Wilkinson** and i
the father of Chelsea Renee and Michael Wayne.
He is employed by Palmetto Helicopters as a pilot
He enjoys aviation and woodworking. Russell was
a member of this church as a youth and comes to
reinstating his membership.

Kathryn M. Wilkinson
373 C McCray Road
Burlington NC 27217
(910) 226-1029

Kathryn is the wife of **Russell** and mother to Chels
and Michael. She comes to us by letter of transfer
from Altamahaw Baptist Church. She enjoys cookin
Reading and Cake Decorating.

Chelsea Renee Wilkinson, (Child)

Chelsea is six years old and is the daughter of Russ
and Kathryn.

Michael Wayne Wilkinson,(Child)

Michael is five years old and the son of Russell and
Kathryn.

PRAYER RESPONSE "O God of Love"

✣HYMN "Now Thank We All Our God" No. 419

✣BENEDICTION AND CHORAL AMEN

✣POSTLUDE " We Plow the Fields and Scatter"

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7:00 p.m. Pack Meeting P.H.
7:00 p.m. Girl Scouts
7:00 p.m. Stephen Ministries Supervision

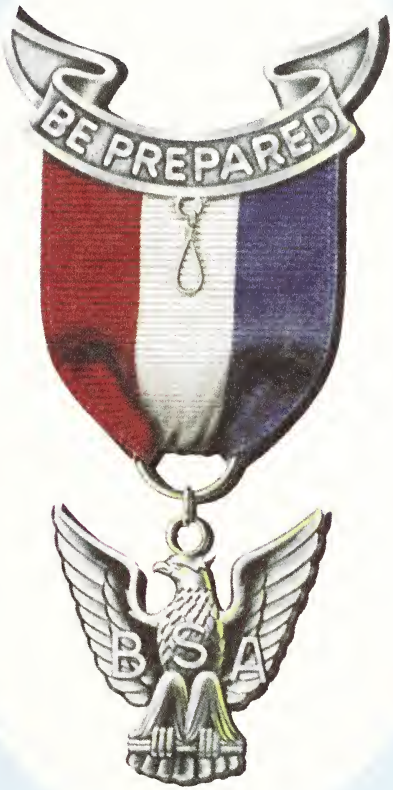
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WEDNESDAY, November 26, 1997

7:00 p.m. Community Thanksgiving Service
8:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous

November 23, 1997


BE PREPARED
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Elon College Community Church
of the United Church of Christ
"Living Christ in Today's World"
November 30, 1997 Eleven o'clock in the Morning
First Sunday in Advent

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PRELUDE "This Tiny Child" **solo: Allison Kay Morris, saprano**

WORSHIP GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRANSITION TO WORSHIP

INTROIT: "King of Kings" Terrific Thursdays Choir

✣ **HYMN** **"We Hail You God's Annointed"** **No. 104**

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

Liturgist: Earl Danieley

Gospel Lesson: Luke 21: 25-36 Page 84 NT Pew Bibl

Collect and Lighting of the Advent Candle

SERVICE OF FORGIVENESS

Call to Confession

Personal Prayer (pray in silence . . .)

Prayer of Confession No.850

Words of Assurance

✣Passing of the Peace

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✣ Gloria Patri (Traditional words) tune No. 759

SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING

The Call to Give

ANTHEM "Love, Love, Love" Terrific Thursdays Choi

Love, Love, Love, Love, Christians This is your Call

Love your Neighbor as Yourself, for God loves All!

✣**Doxology (No. 780) and Presentation of Gifts**

✣Offertory Prayer of Dedication

COURT OF HONOR **(see insert)**

✣**HYMN** **"Watcher Tell Us of the Night"** **No. 103**

During the hymn those children wishing to attend Second Hour Program are welcome to leave with teachers !

SERMON "Signs of the Times . . ."

Rev. Arch Aitcheson , Pastor & Teacher

Eagle Scout Court of Honor
November 30, 1997
Elon College Community Church
for
Matthew Ryan Mayse

INTRODUCTION	Rev. Arch Aitcheson
DECLARATION	Robert M. Lewis, Scout Master
PRAYER FOR GUIDANCE	Rev. Aitcheson
THE EAGLE AWARD	John K. Roberts Assistant Scout Master
MEANING OF THE EAGLE AWARD	Mr. Roberts
REAFFIRMATION	Mr. Lewis and Scout Matthew Mayse
EAGLE CHARGE	Mr. Roberts
PRESENTATION OF THE EAGLE SCOUT AWARD	Mr. Lewis
PRAYER	Rev. Aitcheson



It's Only A Pin

Two fond parents watch their boy where he stands,
Apart from his comrades tonight,
And see placed on his camp-battered tunic, a badge . . .
An Eagle . . . the emblem of right.

It seems just a few short months have passed
Since he joined with the youngsters next door . . .
How proud they were then of their Tenderfoot pin
As they told of the message it bore.

But the years have gone as he struggled along
To learn what the Scout Law's about;
He practiced them daily, the Oath and the Law,
Until now he is an Eagle Scout.

You may smile in your worldly old wisdom at this
and say, "Why, it's only a pin."
But I'll tell you no honors he'll gain as a man
Will mean quite so much to him.

The red, white and blue of the ribbon you see
Are the symbols of honor and truth.
He has learned how to value these fine attributes
In the glorious days of his youth.

And the out-flinging wings of the Eagle that rests
On the breast of the Eagle today
Are the things which will lift him above petty deeds,
And guide him along the right way.

Yes, it's only a pin, just an Eagle Scout badge,
But the heart beneath it beats true,
And will throb to the last for the things that are good;
A lesson for me . . . and for you.



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PRAYER RESPONSE "O God of Love"
✣**HYMN** "Isaiah the Prophet Has Written" No. 108
✣**BENEDICTION AND CHORAL AMEN**
✣**POSTLUDE**

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TUESDAY, December 2, 1997

10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting
7:30 p.m. Circle 3
7:30 p.m. Parents of Troubled Teens Support Group

WEDNESDAY, December 3, 1997

5:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Ralph Scott Services(Seekers)
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir
8:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous

Thursday, December 4, 1997

7:30 a.m. Breakfast Club
8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Respite Coalition(P.H.)
4:00 p.m. Terrific Thursdays
7:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry Training

Friday, December 5, 1997

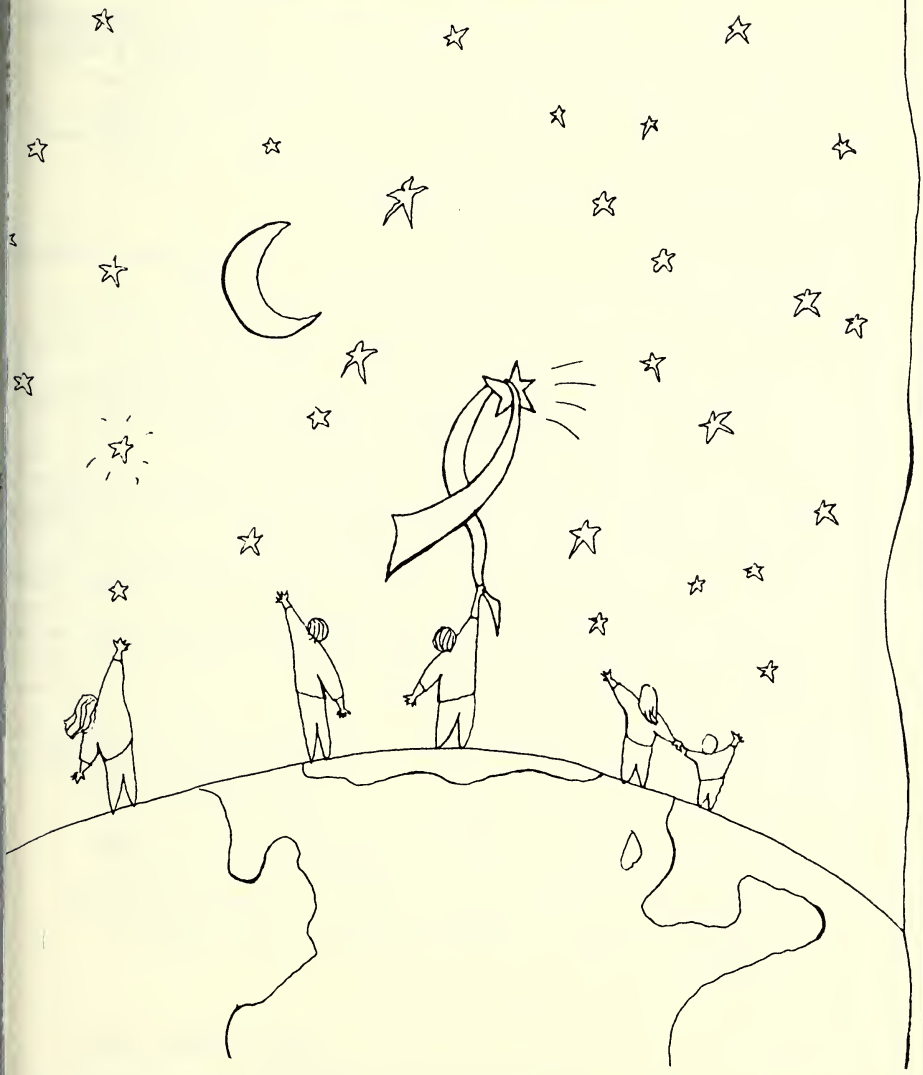
7:00 p.m. Staff Christmas Party
7:00 p.m. Special Fridays
7:30 p.m. Shelter Meal

November 30, 1997

World Aids Day Candlelight Service

Elon College, North Carolina

December 1, 1997



e most publicized disease in the world, but its impact on children has received an response. Adults can and must do their part to ease the suffering of children th HIV, help children in AIDS-affected homes and communities, and enable all chil- in the shadow of HIV risk to grow up uninfected. But it may be that the epidem- course will be shaped by the actions of those it is increasingly affecting: the o live in a world with AIDS." —UNAIDS, 1997

World Aids Day Candlelight Service

Elon College, North Carolina

December 1, 1997

7:00 P.M.

Music Meditation " On Holy Ground" — Streisand and Warren, Columbia Ck 66181

"Wherever we stand in the presence of God, We are on Holy Ground!"

Welcome — **Rev. Arch Aitcheson**

Reading of the Proclamation from the Mayor

Call to Worship — **Rev. Richard McBride**

Leader: God of Many Names and of countless traditions,
PEOPLE: GATHER US IN SPIRIT WITH YOUR CHILDREN AROUND THIS TINY PLANET.
Leader: Bring us together in solidarity of prayer and purpose,
PEOPLE: AS WE PRAY FOR BROTHERS AND SISTERS WHO FACE THE HORRORS OF THE IMPACT OF HIV/AIDS.
Leader: Remind us that You, in Your Divine Love, call us to care,
PEOPLE: FOR THE CHILDREN WHO BECOME THE FUTURE OF THIS GLOBAL VILLAGE.
Leader: Bless us by Your Holy Presence. on the Holy Ground of our World,
PEOPLE: AS WE SEEK TO PROVIDE CHILDREN HOPE IN A WORLD WITH AIDS!
ALL: Amen!

Music: "At the Same Time" — Ann Hampton Calloway, Columbia CK 66181

Knowing how fragile our planet is, how fragile souls are, and how desperately we need unity, this song speaks of the World coming together ***at the same time*** *with love surrounding every child born* ***at the same time. May our hands reach to one another and to all children as together we*** *work for care and cure in a world with HIV/AIDS.*

Reading — **Rebecca Peeler, D.C.E.**

Isaiah 40: 1 - 5; 11; 28 - 31

Meditation — **Rev. Aitcheson**

"Hope for the Children in A World of Aids"

Candlelighting

sic "I Believe and You'll Never Walk Alone" Columbia CK 66181

ediction **Rev. McBride**

Unison: SEND US FORTH UPON THE HOLY GROUND YOU PUT BEFORE US, CREATOR OF LIFE AND LOVE. CRADLE IN GENTLENESS THE MEN AND WOMEN AND CHILDREN WHO FACE THE DAILY WALK OF HIV/AIDS. MAKE US UNDERSTANDING AND AWARE, LOVING AND RESPONSIVE, THAT AS WE LEAVE WITH THE LIGHT OF YOUR SPIRIT, WE MIGHT BE MOVED TO TEACH, TO MINISTER, TO LOVE THAT ALL YOUR CHILDREN MIGHT HAVE HOPE IN A WORLD FILLED WITH AIDS. AMEN.

ONAL HOTLINES

Trials Information Service
DC National AIDS Clearinghouse) 1-800-TRIALS-A
l AIDS Hotline (Classroom Calls) 1-800-342-AIDS
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AIDS Hotline 1-800-344-SIDA
Impaired AIDS Hotline 1-800-243-7889
AIDS Clearinghouse 1-800-458-5231
esponds to AIDS Resource Service 1-800-458-5231
tment Information Service 1-800-HIV-0440
(HIV Treatment Hotline) 1-800-822-7422
Hotline 1-800-440-TEEN
eens Teaching AIDS Prevention) 1-800-234-TEEN
stance Abuse Prevention (CSAP)
inghouse for Alcohol & Drug Info. 1-800-729-6686
& Alcohol Treatment Routing Service. 1-800-662-HELP
ne Hotline (Chemical Dependency) 1-800-COCAINE

CDC Nat'l STD (Sexually Transmitted Disease) Hotline 1-800-227-8922
Hepatitis and Liver Disease Hotline 1-800-223-0179
National Herpes Hotline 1-919-361-8488
Children of the Night
(help hotline for people of all ages) 1-800-551-1300
Covenant House Nineline/Crisis Intervention Center 1-800-999-9999
NAPARE Alcohol, Drug, & Pregnancy Hotline 1-800-638-BABY
National Child Abuse Hotline 1-800-422-4453
National Pediatric HIV Resource Center (NPHRC) 1-800-362-0071
National Runaway Switchboard (adolescent crisis line 1-800-621-4000
Rape Abuse and Incest National Network (RAINN) 1-800-656-HOPE
Recorded information from CDC:
AIDS Statistical Information Line 1-404-332-4570
Fax Information Service Line 1-404-332-4565
General Info. (including info. on HIV/AIDS) 1-404-332-4555

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

August 15, 1997

Greetings to all those around the world observing the tenth annual World AIDS Day. On this day each year, we are called to unite in memory of those whose lives have been claimed by HIV/AIDS, and in support of all those who are courageously fighting this disease every day.

We have come a long way in our struggle to overcome this epidemic, but we still have a tough road ahead. New treatments and heightened awareness contributed to a 19 percent decline in AIDS deaths last year. However, the battle is not over. Recent years have seen a significant shift in the demographics o this epidemic, with new infections in children rising dramatical We must recognize these changes as we renew our efforts in the fight.

This year's World AIDS Day theme, "Give Children Hope in a World with AIDS," challenges us, as Americans and as citizens of the world, to consider the long-term repercussions of this epide In 1996 alone, 400,000 children under the age of 15 became infec with HIV. Furthermore, over 40 percent of the more than 23 mill people living with HIV are women; and in some countries, as many 40 percent of women visiting antenatal clinics in urban areas ar HIV-positive. These numbers are alarming not only because of th direct implications for those women, but also because they signi a great danger of mother-child transmission of HIV.

As this disease infects our children, it strikes at the fut of our nation and our world. We must ensure that those already infected are fully cared for and educate those not infected so t they may protect themselves. I remain fully committed to the ba against this epidemic. The strides we make today will translate into a better life for our children tomorrow.

Hillary joins me in sending best wishes for a successful Wo AIDS Day.

Bill Clinton



Amen.
Even so, Come, Lord Jesus.

Revelation 22:20

Elon College Community Church
of the United Church of Christ
"Living Christ in Today's World"
December 7, 1997 Eleven o'clock in the Morning
Second Sunday in Advent

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PRELUDE " Gesu Bambino" Yo

WORSHIP GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRANSITION TO WORSHIP

INTROIT "O Come, O Come Emmanuel"

✣ **HYMN** "Now Bless the God of Israel" No. 1

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

Liturgist: Gayland Welborn

Hebrew Lesson: Malachi 3: 1-4 Page 874 OT Pew B

Collect and Lighting of the Christ Candle

SERVICE OF FORGIVENESS

Call to Confession

Personal Prayer (pray in silence . . .)

Prayer of Confession

UNISON: **GOD OF SALVATION,**
TRY AS WE MIGHT WE CANNOT
SAVE OURSELVES.
REDEEM US, RESTORE US,
RENEW US, WE PRAY.
GIVE US THE EVERLASTING JOY
OF YOUR DELIVERANCE. AMEN.

Words of Assurance

✢Passing of the Peace

L: The Peace of Christ be with you;

P: And also with you.

(Extend the hand of peace to those seated near you...)

✢ Gloria Patri (Traditional words) tune No. 75

✣United Church of Christ Statement of Faith No .88

SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING

The Call to Give

Offertory Anthem "Advent Hymn" **Martin Jea**

✢**Doxology and Presentation of Gifts** Tune No. 78

✢Offertory Prayer of Dedication



HAVE YOU PURCHASED YOUR PIECE OF ELON COLLEGE COMMUNITY CHURCH'S HISTORY ?

The ornaments on sell in the narthes are a beautiful addition to any Christmas tree. They make wonderful gifts for those family members and friends who might not live in Elon, but still think of this as home. AND....THE PROCEEDS FROM THE SALE SUPPORT THE YOUTH MISSION TRIP AND OTHER ACTIVITIES.

SO...PURCHASE YOURS TODAY !

SPREAD A LITTLE CHRISTMAS CHEER

You can make a difference by participating in one or more of the following: $ donations or Adopt a Family.

To ensure that the families you plan to help are available CALL the Cheer Office at 229-9969.

Christmas Cheer provides names of families that have been screened and found unable to provide Christmas for themselves. There are also elderly and invalid persons on files as well as many children who would not be able to have a Christmas without your help.



Sponsors are asked to:
Provide a Christmas Dinner
Provide new or used warm clothing as needed.
Meet any special requests a family may have as you are able.

For more information contact:
Christmas Cheer Office
331 S. Main St.
Burlington, NC 27215
229-9969

CHEER UP A REINDEER AND HELP A CHILD

GOSPEL LESSON Luke 3: 1 - 6 Page 58 NT Pew Bible

✣ **HYMN** "Little Bethlehem of Judah" No. 113

COMMUNION SERMON "Get Ready . . . !"

Arch Aitcheson, Pastor & Teacher

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

All are welcome to receive the feast of love by coming forward via the center aisle as directed by ushers, receiving the bread, dipping it in the cup, partaking of it and returning to the pew by the side aisles. Deacons will bring communion to those requiring it.

Invitation & Prayer of Consecration

Breaking Bread & Sharing the Cup

Prayer of Thankfulness and The Lord's Prayer (Trespasses)

Prayer Response: "O God of Love"

✣**HYMN** " O Come Emmanuel" vs. 1.2 & 5 No. 116

✣**BENEDICTION & CHORAL AMEN**

✣**POSTLUDE** "Rejoice" Narian

✣**You are Invited to Stand at these moments**

Prayer List for the Week

Lanie Hayes	Nancy Welborn	Lorrain Linton	Marie Laughter
Cleone Tickle	Earl Parker	Stan Willard	Diane Elias
R. Rose Family	R.F. Woody,Sr.	Scott Floyd Family	Ruth Marlowe
Mary Mattern	Lloyd Mansfield	Carolyn & Delma	Cummings
Gertrude Barr	Susan Barbee	David Leonard	Devin Allgood
Kathleen Kalba			

To add your loved one to the prayer chain call 584-0391

☺ **Greeters today are Bill & Shirley Beyer**

☺ **Our Acolytes today Christine Fogleman\Anna Wilkins**

Elon College Community Church is a congregation of the United Church of Christ. For over one hundred years the congregation has sought to live out the mission of the Gospel in the community and beyond. The Mission Statement, "Living Christ in Today's World!", expresses the caring response of our ministry to friend and stranger alike. We are honored to have you worshipping with us this morning. Please do sign the guest book and the friendship ritual booklet in the pews. If you do not have a church home we sincerely hope that you will consider joining this fellowship!

Church Family Statistics

Attendance Last Sunday	Offering	Offering Needed
199	$2,461.62	$ 4,500.00 /week
	AC/ETC Gifts: $300.00	

The Church Staff

Rev. Arch Aitcheson,	Pastor
Dr. William J. Andes,	Pastor Emeritus
Ms. Rebecca Peeler,	Director of Christian Education
Mr. Richard Neubauer,	Organist
Mrs. Betty Dillashaw,	Accompanist
Mrs. Liz Aitcheson,	Choral Director
Mrs. Elizabeth Langley,	Interim Office Manager

Church Phone: (910) 584-0391 FAX: (910) 584-7963
Address: P.O. Box 625, Elon College, NC 27244-0625

WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY, December 7, 1997
9:45 a.m. Sunday School/11:00 a.m. Worship
2:00 p.m. Exam Bags Prepared
5:00 p.m. Moravian Love Feast
6:30 p.m. Mass

MONDAY, December 8, 1997
7:00 p.m. Cub/Girl Scouts
7:00 p.m. Holy Day Mass

TUESDAY, December 9, 1997
10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting
7:30 p.m. Parents of Troubled Teens Support Group

WEDNESDAY, December 10, 1997
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir
8:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous

Thursday, December 11, 1997
7:30 a.m. Breakfast Club Bible Study
4:00 p.m. Terrific Thursdays

The Flowers on the altar are presented to the Glory of of God and in loving memory of Carey E. Andes by her husband, William J. Andes.

December 7, 1997

Moravian Christmas Love Feast & Candlelight Service

Sunday, December 7, 1997
Elon College Community Church
5:00 PM



Welcome.
Share this traditional service of candles
and a simple meal in the spirit of Christmas.

Heralding the Worshipers — Salvation Army Band
Don Wilson, bandmaster

Prelude
Carillon Celebration — Douglas Wagner
Chancel Ringers, Liz Aitcheson, director

The Opening Hymn (please stand)

O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant
O come ye, O come ye, to Bethlehem;
Come and behold Him, born the King of Angels;
O come, let us adore Him ... Christ the Lord.

Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation;
O sing, all ye citizens of heaven above;
Glory to God, all glory in the highest;
O come, let us adore Him ... Christ, the Lord.

Child, for us sinners, poor and in the manger,
we would embrace thee, with love and awe;
Who would not love thee, loving us so dearly?
O come, let us adore Him ... Christ, the Lord.

Yea, Lord, we greet Thee, born this happy morning,
O Jesus, to Thee be all glory given
Word of our Father, now in flesh appearing;
O come, let us adore Him ... Christ the Lord.

Welcome — Rev. Arch Aitcheson
Pastor, Elon College Community Church

Candle info —

Scripture and Prayer — Rev. Aitcheson
Malachi 3:1-4, Luke 3:1-6

Serving the Love Feast

Anthems by The Chancel Choir — Liz Aitcheson, director
Richard Neubauer, organ; Betty Dillashaw, piano

Hurry, Hurry to Bethlehem — Nancy Price, Don Besig

Gloria Deo! — Mary Lynn Lightfoot

It came upon the midnight clear
That glorious song of old,
From angels bending near the earth,
To touch their harps of gold;
"Peace on the earth, good will to men,
From heaven's all gracious King;"
The world in solemn stillness lay
To hear the angels sing.

Still through the cloven skies they come,
With peaceful wings unfurled;
And still their heavenly music floats
O'er all the weary world;
Above its sad and lowly plains
They bend on heavenly wing,
And ever o'er its Babel sounds
The blessed angels sing.

For lo! the days are hastening on,
By prophet bards foretold,
When, with the ever-circling years,
Comes round the age of gold;
When peace shall over all the earth
Its ancient splendors fling;
And the whole world gives back the song
Which now the angels sing.

Moravian Blessing (Unison Prayer)

Come, Lord Jesus, our guest to be
And bless these gifts bestowed by thee. Amen.

Partaking of the Love Feast

Mary's Lullaby Susan and Lee Dengler
The Chancel Choir

Meditation Betsy Reed Bombick
Home Moravian Church, Winston Salem
"Moravians: A Contemporary Faith"

Distributing the Candles

Angels, from the realms of glory
Wing your flight o'er all the earth;
Ye who sang creation's story,
Now proclaim Messiah's birth:
Come and worship, come and worship,
Worship Christ, the new-born King.

Shepherds, in the fields abiding,
Watching o'er your flocks by night,
God among us now residing,
Yonder shines the infant light:
Come and worship, come and worship,
Worship Christ, the new-born King.

What child is this, who laid to rest
on Mary's lap is sleeping?
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet,
While shepherd's watch are keeping?
This, this is Christ the King,
Whom shepherds guard and angels sing:
Haste, haste to bring Him laud,
The babe, The Son of Mary.

Why lies He in such mean estate
Where ox and ass are feeding?
Good Christian, fear: for sinners here
The silent Word is pleading.
This, this is Christ the King,
Whom shepherds guard and angels sing:
Haste, haste, to bring Him laud,
The babe, The Son of Mary.

So bring Him incense, gold and myrrh,
Come peasant, king to own Him:
The King of kings salvation brings,
Let loving hearts enthrone Him.
This, this is Christ the King,
Whom shepherds guard and angels sing:
Haste, haste to bring Him laud,
The babe, The Son of Mary.

O little town of Bethlehem,
How still we see thee lie!
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep
The silent stars go by;
Yet in thy dark streets shineth
The everlasting Light;
The hopes and fears of all the years
Are met in thee tonight.

For Christ is born of Mary,
and gathered all above,
While mortals sleep, the angels keep
Their watch of wondering love.
O morning stars, together
Proclaim the holy birth!
All praise to God be spread abroad
And peace to all on earth.

Lighting of the Candles

"Morning Star" David Brown, soloist

Soloist: Morning Star, O cheering sight:
E're thou cam'st how dark earth's night!
People: **Morning Star, O cheering sight:**
E're thou cam'st how dark earth's night!
Soloist: Jesus mine
People: **In me shine;**
Soloist: In me shine
People: **Jesus mine,**
Unison: **Fill my heart with light divine.**

Soloist: Morning Star, Thy glory bright
far excels the sun's clear light;
People: **Morning Star, Thy glory bright**
far excels the sun's clear light;
Soloist: Jesus be
People: **Constantly;**
Soloist: Constantly
People: **Jesus be**
Unison: **More than thousand suns to me.**

Soloist: Thy glad beams, Thou Morning Star
Cheer the nations near and far;
People: **Thy glad beams, Thou morning Star**
Cheer the nations near and far;
Soloist: Thee we own
People: **Lord alone;**
Soloist: Lord alone
People: **Thee we own,**
Unison: **Man's great savior, God's dear Son.**

Soloist: Morning Star, my soul's true light
Tarry not, dispel my night:
People: **Morning Star, my soul's true light**
Tarry not, dispel my night;

Soloist: Jesus mine
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Hymn of Joy

(Please stand. Lift candles high on last verse)

Joy to the World! The Lord is come;
Let earth receive her King.
Let every heart prepare Him room,
And heaven and nature sing,
And heaven and nature sing,
And heaven, and heaven and nature sing.

Joy to the earth; the Savior reigns:
Let men their songs employ;
While fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

No more let sins and sorrows grow,
Nor thorns infest the ground,
He comes to make His blessings flow
Far as the curse is found,
Far as the curse is found,
Far as, far as the curse is found.

He rules the world with truth and grace,
And makes the nations prove
The glories of His righteousness,
And wonders of His love,
And wonders of His love,
And wonders, and wonders of His love.

Benediction Rev. McBride

The Closing Hymn

Silent night, holy night, All is calm, all is bright
Round yon Virgin Mother and Child, Holy Infant
so tender and mild,
Sleep in heavenly peace, sleep in heavenly peace.

Silent night, holy night, Guiding Star, O lend
thy light;
See the eastern wisemen bring gifts and homage
to our King:
Jesus the Savior is here, Jesus the Savior is here.

In addition to those named in the program,
we wish to thank
The dieners (servers) from the Elon College Campus Chapter
of Habitat for Humanity and other Elon students.

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The Moravian Love Feast

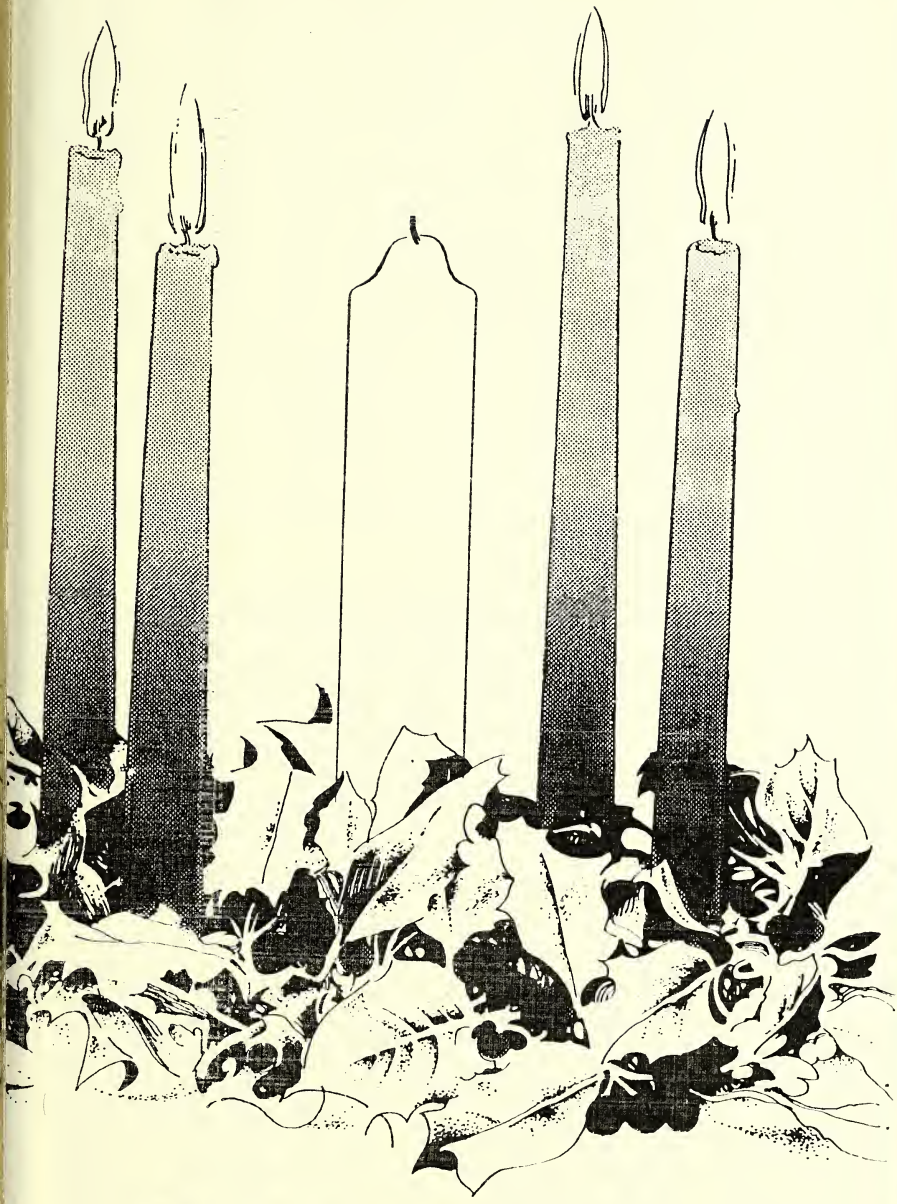
Early Christians met and broke bread together to
signify their union, fellowship and love.
In 1727, the Moravian Church revived this practice
and established the custom
of celebrating the great church festivals
by partaking together of a simple meal
known as a "love feast."

The Christmas Eve Love Feast,
with its lighted candles, originated on the European
continent at Marienborn
in the year 1747 and quickly spread throughout the
Moravian world.
It was first celebrated in North Carolina
at Bethabara in 1753 and at Salem in 1771.

During the Christmas Love Feast,
each person is given a candle as a reminder
that Christ said, "I am the light of the world,"
and "You are the light of the world --
Let your light so shine before men,
that they might see your good works,
and glorify your father who is in heaven."

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An offering will be received in the foyer as you leave.
Donations will be divided equally to support
the Christmas projects of the Salvation Army
and the house being built by Elon's Habitat Chapter
during the school year 1997-98.



Light ❄ Hope
Joy ❄ Peace

Elon College Community Church
of the United Church of Christ
"Living Christ in Today's World"
December 14, 1997 Eleven o'clock in the Morning
Third Sunday in Advent

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"Let us not love in word or speech but in deed and truth"

1 John 3:18

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Wisconsin, Kansas, Nebraska. He did much in social action and was instrumental in merging of churches into UCC. Always interested in community, he was president of Tuberculosis and Historical societies and twice attended the White House Conference on Children and Youth. He was a counselor at twenty-five youth camps and in charge of three work camps refurbishing churches. Dorothy, in addition to serving as pastor's wife, was a registered nurse serving in the various areas where they lived. She retired in 1985 as director of nurses in a nursing home.

Rev. Hans and Ruth Poppe (he is standing far left, she is seated on right sofa arm) are third generation former German Congregationalists. He received B.A. and B.Th. degree from Yankton College and its School of Theology. After ordination, he earned a B.D. from Oberlin College School of Theology and an M.Div. from Vanderbilt University. Ruth Hammelmann Pope is an R.N. and "P.K." who realized her hope of being a pastor's wife. He retired in 1983 after long pastorates, the last at Russell-Gorham, Kansas. He twice was a founding pastor and associated with several building programs.

Rev. Alvin F. and Doris DeBruine Volle (he is standing far right, she is seated on left sofa arm): Following graduation from Elmhurst College in 1951 and Eden Seminary in 1955, Al served numerous Iowa churches, including Peace UCC in Bennett, Peace UCC in Elkader and First UCC in Burlington. Leaving full-time work because of MS, he served part-time at Peace UCC in Gladbrook, St. John UCC in Melbourne, on the Iowa Conference staff and as an Annuitant Visitor. Doris grew up on the Elmhurst College campus, graduating from there in 1953. She received her R.N. from St. Luke's Hospital School of Nursing in Chicago and a Masters from Western Illinois University. She taught in the Nursing Arts Department of Deaconess Hospital School of Nursing and continued in nursing until her retirement from the VA Hospital in Knoxville, Iowa, in 1991. The Volle's have three daughters—in Oregon, California and Kansas.

Gladys Washburn (seated third from right) is the widow of the Rev. Jost B. Washburn, a graduate of Eden Theological Seminary. Jost's first pastorate was a mission church in Corpus Christi, Texas, sponsored by the Board of National Missions of the E&R Church. They later served churches in New Orleans, Buffalo, and Chicago. Gladys, a graduate of St. Louis College of Music assisted her husband guiding the music programs in their churches . In 1992 she celebrated sixty years of music ministry and she still serves as substitute organist/choir director in greater Kansas City.

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Wally Snyder

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SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING

The Call to Give

Offertory Anthem **"Do Not Find Me Sleeping"** **Martin\Paige**

✣**Doxology and Presentation of Gifts** Tune No. 780

✣Offertory Prayer of Dedication

GOSPEL LESSON Luke 3: 7-18 Page 58 NT Pew Bible

✣ **HYMN** "Lift Up Your Heads!" No. 117

(Children are welcome to leave during the hymn for Second Hour . . .

SERMON "Always Rejoicing!"

Arch Aitcheson, Pastor & Teacher

COMMUNITY PRAYERS & LORD'S PRAYER (Trespasses)

Prayer Response: " Father Almighty, Bless Us"

✣**HYMN** **" Gentle Joseph, Joseph Dear"** **No. 105**

✣**BENEDICTION & CHORAL AMEN**

✣**POSTLUDE** **"Hark The Herald Angels Sing"**

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309 Love Feast		

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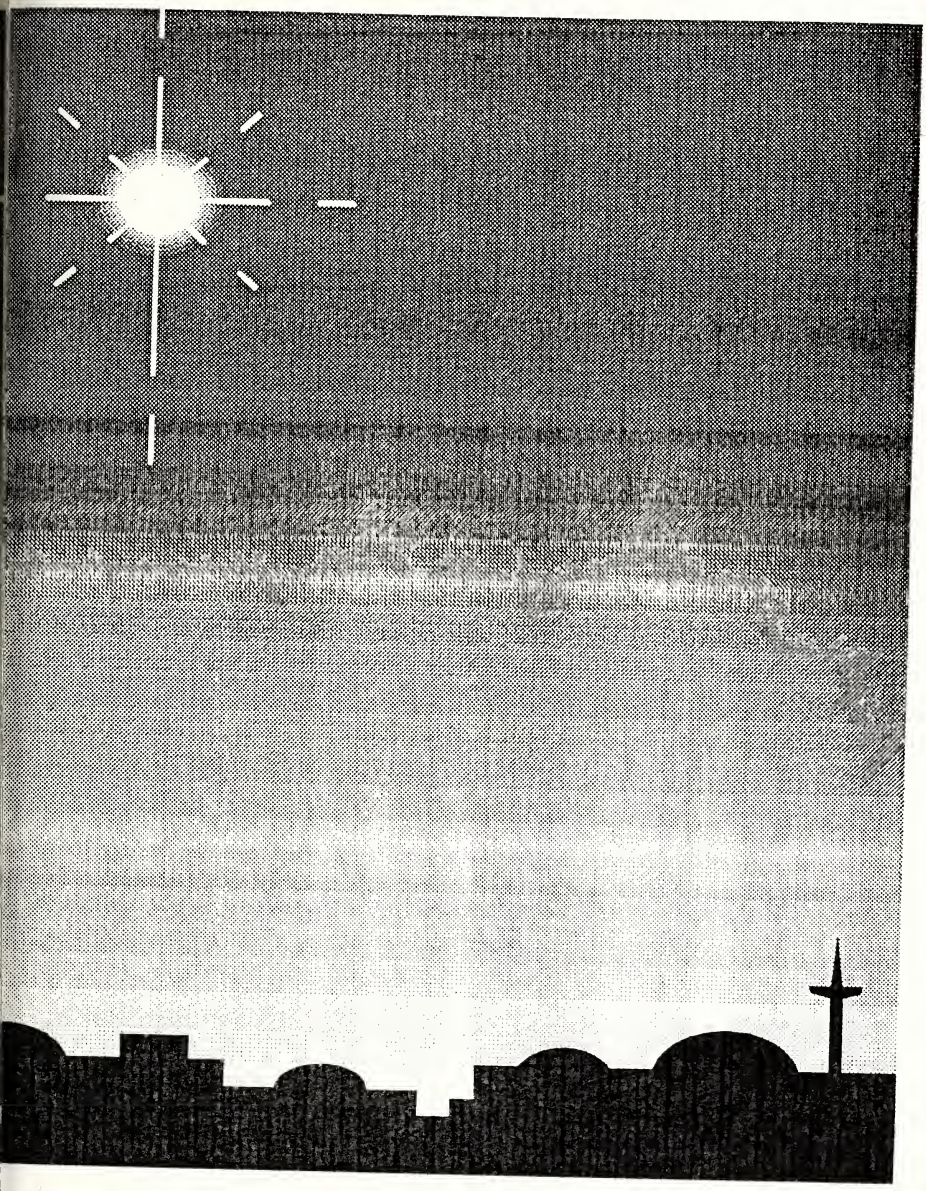
WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY, December 14, 1997
9:45 a.m. Sunday School/11:00 a.m. Worship
Noon: Confirmation
5:00 p.m. Chancel Ringers
6:00 p.m. Youth
6:30 p.m. CHURCH NITE
Council Meeting following Church Nite
MONDAY, December 15, 1997
TORCH DEADLINE
7:00 p.m. Pack Mtg/Girl Scouts
TUESDAY, December 16, 1997
10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting
7:30 p.m. Parents of Troubled Teens Support Group
WEDNESDAY, December 17, 1997
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir
8:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous
Thursday, December 18, 1997
7:30 a.m. Breakfast Club Bible Study
4:00 p.m. Terrific Thursdays
7:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry Training

Playing Flute for our Anthem this morning is Joy Aitcheson.
Stop by and buy something from the Bake Sale!!!
Offering envelopes are available in the Northex.
Greeters today are: Barry & Linda Raker
Acolytes today are: Rebecca Perry/Susan Heinzerling

Flowers on the Altar are presented to the Glory of God by Mona & Dee Atkinson.

December 14, 1997



Elon College Community Church

December 21, 1997

Living Christ in Today's World

Elon College Community Church
of the United Church of Christ
"Living Christ in Today's World"
December 21, 1997 Eleven o'clock in the Morning
Fourth Sunday in Advent

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PRELUDE

WORSHIP GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRANSITION TO WORSHIP

INTROIT "O Come, O Come Emmanuel"

✣ **HYMN** **"In The Bleak Midwinter"** **No. 128**

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

Liturgist: Shirley Beyer

Gospel Lesson: LUKE 1: 39-45 Page 56 NT Pew Bible

Collect and Lighting of the Advent Candles

SERVICE OF FORGIVENESS

Call to Confession

Personal Prayer (pray in silence . . .)

Prayer of Confession

UNISON: GOD OF THE WORD, WHEN WE FEEL UNSURE OF YOUR HOLY PRESENCE, SPEAK TO US THROUGH THE SCRIPTURES AND MAKE US RECIPIENTS OF YOUR FORGIVENESS AND GRACE - AND THEN MESSENGERS - OF YOUR GOOD NEWS SHOWN TO US IN THE MERCY OF JESUS CHRIST! AMEN.

Words of Assurance

✣Passing of the Peace

L: The Peace of Christ be with you;

P: And also with you.

(Extend the hand of peace to those seated near you...)

✣ Gloria Patri (Traditional words) tune No. 759

SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING

The Call to Give

Offertory Anthem **"Sing of Birth" (Winter) Terrific Thursday Choir**

✣**Doxology and Presentation of Gifts** Tune No. 780

✣Offertory Prayer of Dedication

COMMISSIONING OF STEPHEN MINISTERS (insert)

A Rite for Commissioning Stephen Ministers
Elon College Community Church
of the United Church of Christ
December 21, 1997

Presentation

Dear Brothers and Sisters: You have been duly trained and equipped to serve as Stephen Ministers at Elon College Community Church of the United Church of Christ. Hear now the words we find in Scripture:

II Corinthians 1:3-4 **Blessed be the God and Creator of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Creator of mercies and God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our affliction, so that we may be able to comfort those who are in any affliction, with the comfort with which we ourselves are comforted by God.**

Colossians 3:23-24 **Whatever your task, work heartily, as serving the Lord,...knowing that from Jesus Christ you will receive the inheritance as your reward: you are serving the Lord Jesus Christ!**

As the Lord Jesus Christ has responded to your needs, we ask you to consciously strive to increase your sensitivity and your responsiveness to the needs of others. As the Lord took the burdens of the world upon his shoulders and has been a friend to you in troubled times, we ask you to be a friend to those who are burdened under the stress of daily life.

As the Lord Jesus patiently listens when you turn to him, we ask that you be a patient listener in a hurried world.

As the Lord Jesus has broken down the barriers that separated you from God, we ask you to heal divisions wherever you find them and strive to make people whole. As the Spirit of Christ has given you skills and abilities from your birth, we ask that you accept the call to be Stephen ministers who will serve others in his name.

As the Lord Jesus has shown his care for you, we ask you to help this congregation grow as a caring community through your own care and prayer.

As the Lord Jesus has revealed his presence to you through faith, we ask you to share your personal experiences of faith with those around you so that they too may celebrate the presence of Christ in our world today!

Vows

Are you prepared to meet those requests which are asked of you?
Stephen Ministers: Yes, with the help of God!

Are you prepared to nurture the skills you have learned and use them in service and training to others: to support, encourage, build up and comfort people in all their needs?
Stephen Ministers: Yes, with the help of God!

(to the congregation . . .)
As the members of Elon College Community Church we ask you to open your hearts to the ministry of these people and to pray for them, that they might be effective servants and teachers of Christ. Are you prepared to meet this request?
Congregation: Yes, with the help of God!
We also ask you to accept their ministry when they seek others to answer the call as Stephen Ministers, to allow those who are trained to work with you as you face the struggles in your life, that you might receive support and help from Christian brothers and sisters. Are you, as followers of Christ in today's world, prepared to meet that request?
Congregation: Yes, with the help of God!

(to the Stephen Ministers. . . .)

Joy Aitcheson. Pat Richardson and Emily Woody, having answered Christ's call to ministry are you prepared to serve as this Congregation's first Stephen Ministers?
Stephen Ministers: Yes!

Poinsettia

Honor

Shaw Cunningham
& Mrs. Arch Aitcheson
& Mrs. Scott Aitcheson
& Mrs. A.O. Peeler
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Blessings

Joy, May you see Christ in all people, and be moved by his life to care for those people, as you would care for Christ himself.

Pat, May you, as a life-affirming human being in Jesus Christ, share his ever-abundant love with others so that they and you may grow in his wholeness.

Emily, Our Lord Jesus Christ touched the lives of people in many ways. May he shower his love upon you and sustain you in the ministry which lies before you.

ALL: May the Lord Jesus who has graciously called you his disciple, now strengthen you with his Spirit for your ministry in and to his world.

Commendation

Because you have promised faithfully to serve Jesus Christ in today's world as Stephen Ministers, I commend you to the care and guidance of the Holy Spirit as you, in turn, care for others. Work hard; use the skills you have learned, releasing the gifts and talents the Spirit of God has given you, as you recruit, train, supervise and pray for those who will serve us all in Stephen Ministry. Act boldly without fear, for Christ is with you!

Prayer

Unison: God, take, Emily. Pat and Joy into your care. You have blessed them with gifts of leadership. May they serve you and us with the power of the Holy Spirit - quick to serve and patient in listening. Keep them and all of us strong in our service for the sake of Jesus Christ who cares for all of us forever! Amen.

Presentation of Symbols of the Ministry

Christmas Eve Services



Worship at 5 o'clock P.M.

Presentation of the Christmas Drama:
"Littlejim's Gift" written by Gloria Houston
and adapted for the drama by Becky Peeler.
The Story comes from the Appalachian Mountains
in a little village called Plumtree.

A Service for the child in us all!

Worship at 11:00 P.M.

Candlelight Service of Carols and Holy
Communion.

This service is our own tradition of the love feast
designed to help us welcome in Christmas
morning in the true spirit of the event.

CHORAL ANTHEM "Gloria Deo" **Mary Lynn** Lightfoot
(Children are welcome to leave during the ANTHEM for Second Hour .
. . **SERMON** "The Blessing"
Arch Aitcheson, Pastor & Teacher
COMMUNITY PRAYERS & LORD'S PRAYER (Trespasses)
Prayer Response: " Father Almighty, Bless Us"
✣**HYMN** " Mary, Woman of the Promise" vs.1-3) No. 123
✣**BENEDICTION & CHORAL AMEN**
✣**POSTLUDE** "Carol Medley"

✣**You are Invited to Stand at these moments**

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156	$ 4,137.85	$ 4,500.00 /week

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WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY, December 21, 1997

9:45 a.m. Sunday School Birthday Party for Jesus
11:00 a.m. Worship Terrific Thursday Choir Sing
5:00 p.m. Chancel Ringers
5:00 p.m. Grief Support Network

MONDAY, December 22, 1997

TUESDAY, December 23, 1997

10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting
7:30 p.m. Parents of Troubled Teens Support Group

WEDNESDAY, December 24, 1997
CHRISTMAS EVE

5:00 p.m. Family Worship
11:00 p.m. Candlelight Service

Thursday, December 25, 1997
OFFICE CLOSED

Friday, December 26, 1997
OFFICE CLOSED

A congregational meeting is called by the Church Council for Sunday morning the 28th immediately following worship for the purpose of adopting 1998 budget and the election of officers.Please make every effort to attend.

December 21, 1997


And
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Son

Elon College Community Church
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"Living Christ in Today's World"
December 28, 1997 Eleven o'clock in the Morning
First Sunday in Christmastide

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"O Come All Ye Faithful!"

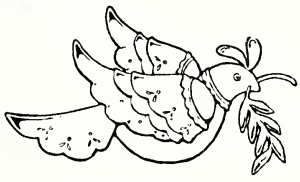


O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant,
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;
Come and behold him, born the King of Angels;
O Come, let us adore him, O Come, let us adore him,
O Come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord!

Sing Choirs of Angels, sing in exultation
Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above!
Glory to God, all glory in the highest;
O Come, let us adore him . . .

Yea, Lord we greet thee, born this happy morning,
Jesus, to thee be all glory given;
Word of the Creator, now in flesh appearing;
O Come, let us adore him . . .

O Little Town of Bethlehem"



O Little Town of Bethlehem, how still we see thee lie!
Above your deep and dreamless sleep the silent stars go by;
Yet in your dark streets shineth the everlasting light!
The hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee tonight!

How silently, how silently the wondrous gift is given!
ile God imparts to human hearts the glorious love of heaven.
No ear may hear Christ's coming, but in this world of sin,
re meek souls will receive him, still the dear Christ enters in!

Merry Christmas



"Joy to the World!"

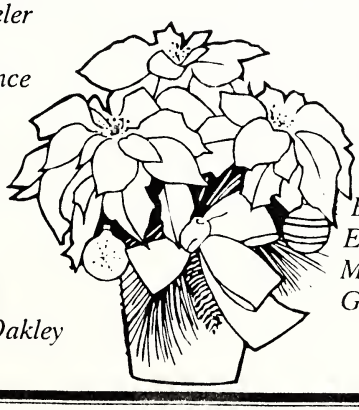
Joy to the World! The Lord is come: Let earth receive her King!
Let every heart prepare him room, And heaven and nature sing;
And heaven and nature sing, and heaven and nature sing!

Joy to the earth! the Savior reigns: Let men their songs employ;
While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains, repeat the sounding jo
Repeat the sounding joy, repeat the sounding joy!



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MONDAY, December 29, 1997

7:30 p.m. Stephen Ministry Supervision

TUESDAY, December 30, 1997

10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting

WEDNESDAY, December 31, 1997

8:00 p.m. A.A.

Thursday, January 1, 1997

OFFICE CLOSED

Friday, January 2, 1997

Office Closed

7:30 p.m. Shelter Meal

Congrgational Meeting for adoption of 1998 Budget & election of officers and Boards.

December 28, 1997

✣ **CAROL** "O Little Town of Bethlehem" Insert
(Children are welcome to leave during the Hymn for Second Hour . . .
SERMON " A New Understanding "
Heather Dillashaw, U.C.C. Seminarian
COMMUNITY PRAYERS & LORD'S PRAYER (Trespasses)
✣**HYMN** " Joy to the World" Insert
✣**BENEDICTION**
✣**POSTLUDE**

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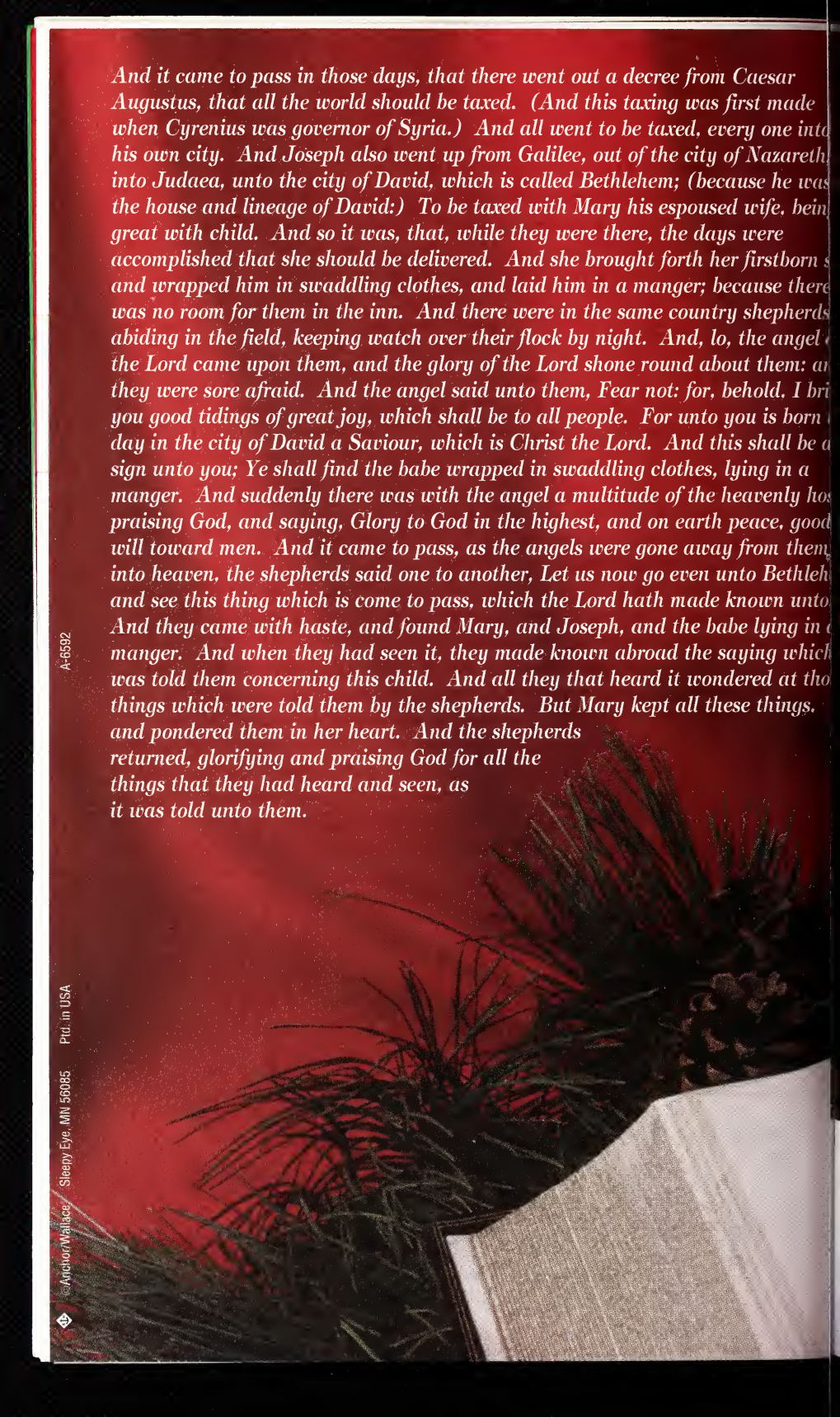
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And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed. (And this taxing was first made when Cyrenius was governor of Syria.) And all went to be taxed, every one into his own city. And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth into Judaea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem; (because he was the house and lineage of David:) To be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child. And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered. And she brought forth her firstborn son and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn. And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid. And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger. And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying, Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men. And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, Let us now go even unto Bethlehem and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us. And they came with haste, and found Mary, and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger. And when they had seen it, they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning this child. And all they that heard it wondered at those things which were told them by the shepherds. But Mary kept all these things, and pondered them in her heart. And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen, as it was told unto them.



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Celebration of Life for Earl W. Parker
December 28, 1997

Elon College Community Church
of the United Church of Christ
"Living Christ in Today's World"
December 28, 1997 Two o'clock in the Afternoon
A Celebration of Life for Earl W. Parker
July 9, 1918 to December 23, 1997
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PRELUDES Richard Neubauer, organist

***HYMN OF FAITH** "Savior Like A Shepherd Lead Us" No. 252

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Pastor: God is near to all who call, who call from their hearts.

PEOPLE: THE DESIRES OF THOSE WHO FEAR GOD ARE FULFILLED!

Pastor: I am the resurrection and the life; all who believe in me, though they die,

PEOPLE: YET SHALL THEY LIVE, AND WHOEVER LIVES AND BELIEVES IN ME SHALL NEVER DIE!

Pastor: Blessed are the dead who die in Christ!

PEOPLE: "BLESSED INDEED," SAYS THE SPIRIT, "THAT THEY MAY REST FROM THEIR LABORS, FOR THEIR DEEDS FOLLOW THEM!"

Pastor: This is the Word of God! Alleluia!

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

SOLO "Holy Ground" (Geron Davis) sung by Jane Fraser, Alto

HEBREW LESSONS

Psalm 100

Psalm 23

***HYMN** "My Shepherd is A Living God!" No. 247

GOSPEL LESSON
Matthew 6: 19 - 34

CHORAL ANTHEM "Kum Ba Ya!" (Traditional) Chancel Choir

CHRISTIAN LESSON
Revelation 21: 1 - 7

CELEBRATION OF LIFE Pastor Aitcheson

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND COMMENDATION
THE LORD'S PRAYER

***HYMN OF HOPE** "In The Garden" No. 287

***BENEDICTION AND POSTLUDE**

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The family of Earl Parker thank all who have shown their kindnesses to them during his illness and in these first days of grief. They appreciate those who celebrate his life in this time of worship. You may greet the family following worship by exiting at the front of the sanctuary to the education building.

Participants in today's Service:
Rev. Arch Aitcheson, Elon College Community Church
Richard Neubauer, Organist
Betty Dillashaw, Pianist
Jane Fraser, soloist
The Elon College Community Church Chancel Choir
Elisabeth Aitcheson, Choral Director

Ushers from the Elon College Exchange Club:
Dee Atkinson E. W. Brafford Ralph Oxford
Jack Ware Stan Willard

The Loving Welcome . . .

Sanctuary doors opened for worship and all who entered
Felt the warmth of this usher's smile and tender welcome;
His sparkling eyes and his broad, genuine smile tendered
A greeting from the one dressed so bright and handsome!

He was an usher, a greeter, a beacon at worship's door
Who let his light shine to gently guide others to a seat;
Without knowing it, he offered friend and stranger more!
His caring way helped each one discover a Savior's peace.

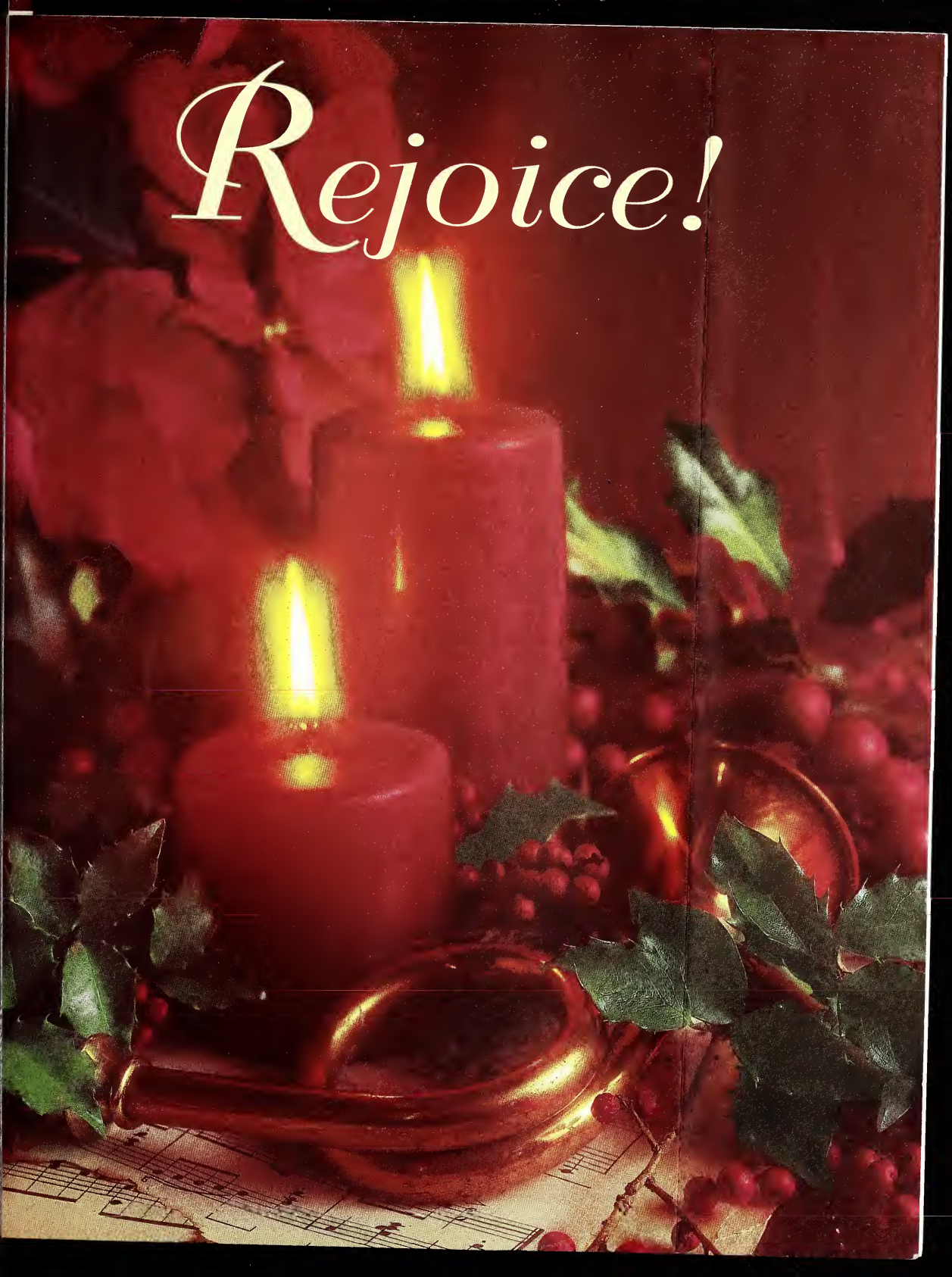
The Man in the bright yellow sport coat illumined lives
Of those he knew and those he would soon befriend
On the journey of life and in relationships recognized
As sacred opportunities for the Gospel to enjoy or defend!

A loving welcome we shall all cherish as a God given gift
Shown to us by Earl's faithful service and caring way!
His life reached to us beyond sorrow and helped to lift
Our spirits low, so that we could enjoy our Lord's day!

The loving welcome continues to offer the awesome grace
As Heaven's door welcomed Earl with tender embrace!

Dedicated to Earl W. Parker
December 23, 1997
Arch Aitcheson, Friend and Pastor

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Rejoice!

Candlelight Service of Carols and Communion

Elon College Community Church
of the United Church of Christ
December 24, 1997
Eleven o'clock in the Evening

What has come into being in him was life,
and the life was the light of all people!
The Light shines in the darkness,
and the darkness did not overcome it!
John 1: 3b to 5

PRELUDES

"Hymne" (Vangelis/ arr. T. Turanchik) Clarinet Solo by Thomas Turanchik
"Carillon Celebration" (D. Wagner) Chancel Ringers

INTROIT: Suo-gan (Bryan\Werin) Chancel Choir with Soloist, Emily Woody

PROCESSIONAL HYMN "O Come All Ye Faithful!"

O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant,
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;
Come and behold him, born the King of Angels;
O Come, let us adore him, O Come, let us adore him,
O Come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord!

Sing Choirs of Angels, sing in exultation
Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above!
Glory to God, all glory in the highest;
O Come, let us adore him . . .

Yea, Lord we greet thee, born this happy morning,
Jesus, to thee be all glory given;
Word of the Creator, now in flesh appearing;
O Come, let us adore him . . .

CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: The Word became flesh and dwelt among us!
CONGREGATION: AND WE HAVE SEEN HIS GLORY!
Pastor: From his fullness we have received grace upon grace;
CONGREGATION: IT IS THE ONLY SON, WHO IS CLOSE TO THE CREATOR'S HEART,
Pastor: Who has made God known!
CONGREGATION: REJOICE IN THE GOOD NEWS OF GOD,
Pastor: As revealed to us in Jesus the Christ, Our Savior!

CAROL "What Child is This?"

What Child is this, who laid to rest, on Mary's lap is sleeping?
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet while shepherds watch are keeping?
Chorus: This, this is Christ the King, whom shepherds guard and angels sing
Haste, haste to bring him laud, the babe, the son of Mary.

Why lies he in such mean estate where ox and ass are feeding?
Good Christian, fear, for sinners here the silent Word is pleading.
Chorus (as above)

SCRIPTURE LESSON Luke 2: 1 - 15 *The Birth of Jesus*

CHORAL ANTHEM "Mary's Lullaby" (Dengler/Rengler) Solo: Emily Woody

SCRIPTURE LESSON Matthew 1: 18 - 25 *Joseph's Encounter*

SACRED DANCE "Carol of the Bells" (J. Tesh)
Dancers: Joy Aitcheson and Emily Woody

SERVICE OF CONFESSION

Call to Confession
Personal Prayers seeking God's Mercy
Congregational Prayer:
UNISON:
GOD, WHO CREATES THE AWESOME WONDER OF THE BETHLEHEM STORY, FILL US WITH THE SPIRIT WHO CALLS US TO HUMBLE OURSELVES BEFORE YOU. MAKE US HONEST ABOUT OUR NEED FOR FORGIVENESS AND OPEN TO OUR NEED FOR RECREATION AND RENEWAL. LET JESUS TOUCH OUR HEARTS THIS NIGHT THAT WE MIGHT GREET THE NEW DAY REJOICING IN THE GLORY OF YOUR GRACE. WE ASK IT IN JESUS CHRIST. AMEN.

Words of Assurance
Passing the Peace

Pastor: The Lord be with you!
CONGREGATION: AND ALSO WITH YOU!
(Extend Christ's peace in the same manner to your neighbors.)

SOLO "Christmas Was Meant for Children" (Goodman/Evans) Rachael Dillashaw

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation and Prayer of Consecration
Sharing the Feast
Please come forward as directed by ushers and receive a piece of Bread, dip it into the chalice and then partake before returning to your pew by the side aisles.
Prayerful Meditation during Communion
Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer

CAROL "Bring A Torch, Jeannette, Isabella"

Bring a torch, Jeannette, Isabella! Bring a torch to the cradle run!
It is Jesus, good folk of the village; Christ is born and Mary's calling.
Ah! Ah! beautiful is the mother! Ah! Ah! beautiful is her son!

Softly to the little stable, softly for a moment come;
Look and see how charming is Jesus, How he is white, his cheeks are rosy.
Hush! Hush! see how the child is sleeping; Hush! Hush! see how he smiles in his dreams!

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

SACRED DANCE "The Promise" (Nyman) CD 724384218621 Virgin Records
Dancers: Emily Woody and Joy Aitcheson

CANDLELIGHT SERVICE
ANTHEM DURING THE LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES
"Gloria Deo" (M. L. Lightfoot) Chancel Choir

CAROL "Joy to the World!"

Joy to the World! The Lord is come: Let earth receive her King!
Let every heart prepare him room, And heaven and nature sing;
And heaven and nature sing, and heaven and nature sing!

Joy to the earth! the Savior reigns: Let men their songs employ;
While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains, repeat the sounding joy!
Repeat the sounding joy, repeat the sounding joy!

PRAYER OF CHRISTMAS BLESSING

CAROL "Silent Night"

Silent Night, Holy Night, All is calm, all is bright
Round yon virgin mother and child. Holy infant so tender and mild,
Sleep in heavenly peace, Sleep in heavenly peace!

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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